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President Gordon B. Hinckley will speak at today's Devotional at 11 a.m. in the Marriott Center

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Prophet to address Y students

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ll arrive at the Marriott today to claim their resident Gordon B. annual Devotional

Hinckley, president of of Jesus Christ of Latter- will speak to students a.m. in the Marriott

tt Center doors will offi- at 9:30 a.m., and some already be waiting out- ey do, said Mary Jean tant director of special Marriott Center.

there is typically excel- attendance at President Devotionals, as the Marriott Center has been fairly full for them in the past.

Kay Johnson, BYU advancement vice president, said overflow areas for today's Devotional were chosen at locations throughout campus that can hold a large capacity. Overflow areas allow students to watch the Devotional at places close to their classes.

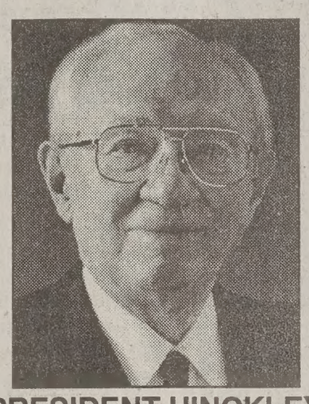
Overflow seating will be available in the Varsity Theatre, the de Jong Concert Hall, the JSB auditorium, 2084 JKHB, 303 JRCB, W111 BNSN, 115 MCKB and 267 RB.

Not just BYU students will be at the Marriott Center to hear President Hinckley speak.

Marcie Noble, 21, a junior from San Juan Capistrano, Calif., majoring in English teaching, previously attended Utah Valley State College and said she, along with many of her fellow UVSC students, came to BYU when President Hinckley spoke last year.

Noble said she skipped a class to attend President Hinckley's Devotional and she would do it again if she had to.

"It's the prophet. He's so close to us, I feel I need to listen to him," Noble said.



PRESIDENT HINCKLEY

Dave Harrison, 22, a junior from Provo majoring in information systems, said that if he had a 10 a.m. class he would skip it to make sure he had a seat for President Hinckley's address.

"There's no way I would even chance missing President Hinckley speaking. I think a lot of other students feel the same way. Unless I had a really important quiz, I would skip class or at least leave early," Harrison said.

Harrison said just having the opportunity to hear the prophet speak is the chance of a lifetime, and he puts that as a priority above everything else, including class.

President Hinckley has been serving as the 15th president of the LDS Church since 1995. Before that time, he served for 14 years as a counselor in the First Presidency and as a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles for 20 years before that.

He has traveled around the world several times to help church members and is the first LDS Church president to travel to Spain and Africa. He has dedicated more temples than any other leader in the history of the church.

President Hinckley has organized what has become the church's public affairs program, supervised church units abroad and committee work with temples, missionary work, welfare services, priesthood and members in the military service.

He has been interviewed by major news media such as The New York Times, "60 Minutes" and "Larry King Live."

President Hinckley has also served as a member of the Sunday School Board, executive secretary of the General Missionary Committee, a stake president and as an assistant to the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles.

President Hinckley's educational honors include the Distinguished Citizen Award from Southern Utah University, the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Utah and other honorary doctorates.

He has been honored by the National Conference for Community and Justice (formerly the National Conference of Christians and Jews) for his contributions toward tolerance and understanding in the world.

President Hinckley and his wife, Marjorie Pay Hinckley, have five children and 25 grandchildren.

The Devotional will be broadcast live on KBYU-TV (Channel 11) and KBYU-FM (89.1). It will be rebroadcast Dec. 12 at 6 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Channel 11 and at 8 p.m. on 89.1 FM.

tests shift focus of trade talks

ssociated Press

— The World Trade stumbled at the starting week of global talks n authorities were forced ing activities four hours arch.

the Clinton administra- he WTO sessions will benefits of free trade, s tried to use the meeting a long list of grievances 35-nation organization ules for world trade.

tend the Geneva-based rade promotion goals egitimate interests such worker rights and envi- otection.

Club staged a noisy but ch in downtown Seattle chful eye of riot police.

At a separate event, radical French farmer Jose Bove — who grabbed international attention this summer after being arrested for trying to dismantle a McDonald's restaurant in France — led a crowd at a Seattle McDonald's in chanting, "No new round, shut it down." A restaurant window was broken and one person was arrested, police said.

Six arrests were reported after environmental protesters scaled a giant construction crane in the downtown area to drape an anti-WTO banner. The Rainforest Action Network, which claimed responsibility, said in a statement its demonstrators had come to Seattle "because the stakes are too high for us to stay at home."

Protest leaders said Monday's activities were only a warm-up for what is planned as their biggest event of the week, an AFL-CIO-sponsored march by workers and their families that will coincide with today's opening sessions of the WTO negotiations.

Organizers hope as many as 50,000 people will participate. Some radical groups have indicated they will try to chain themselves together to block delegates from entering the huge downtown convention center, the main venue for the talks.

Business groups, trying to counter the demonstrators, were taking out ads on local television stations touting the economic benefits of trade liberalization and inviting reporters to attend various briefings throughout the week.

"We have been able to tell a much more intelligent and positive story than the extreme protesters on the street," said Jerry Jasinowski, president of the National Association of Manufacturers.

AFP Photos

Thousands of anti-World Trade Organization protesters march down Sixth Avenue in Seattle on Monday. Many more activists are expected to come to disrupt the ministerial meetings of the WTO which are scheduled from today to Friday.

SLC suburbs combine to form new city

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Utah's newest city, Holladay-Cottonwood, will become official Wednesday, even though a permanent city hall and city budget have yet to be determined.

Liane Stillman, mayor-elect of Holladay-Cottonwood, said the push to incorporate the city before the new year is because residents want to have a say in their neighborhoods.

"The people want us to get moving," Stillman said. "They want us to be in control and to begin to establish a sense of community."

Establishing the city and then a sense of community will require a great deal of work, Stillman said. The city not only has to find temporary and permanent city offices but also must work out everything from ordinances to office supplies in the upcoming weeks, she said.

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> *— Liane Stillman, mayor-elect of Holladay-Cottonwood*

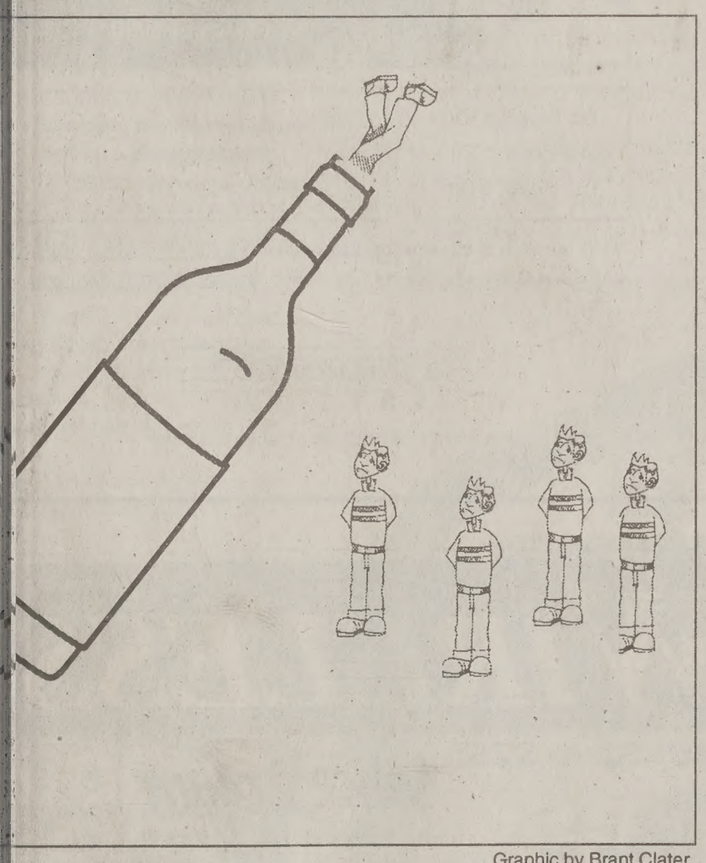
"We have a number of possible sites for a city hall, but we have no money and no authority right now, which slows everything," Stillman said.

She said the two south Salt Lake suburbs were combined because residents were concerned that people outside their neighborhoods were making decisions that affected them, such as zoning and tax revenue regulations.

Sales-tax revenue from holiday shopping at Cottonwood Mall will now benefit the combined communities, said City Councilman-elect Steve Peterson. Although the exact amount of sales-tax revenue for the two communities is not known, Peterson said estimates have ranged between $250,000 to $400,000.

To help Holladay-Cottonwood get started, Salt Lake County gave the new city a $75,000 grant that will cover some of the initial costs of payroll and office supplies. However, the city will still have to take out loans to meet its expenses until it receives tax revenue.

requirements could create a registration problem for freshmen



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Many freshmen received letters during the Thanksgiving holiday warning them that if they did not take their first-year general education classes during Fall Semester or register for them Winter Semester, their future registration will be flagged.

"We are concerned freshmen aren't getting their G.E.s done in their first year," said Kristine Hansen, associate dean of General Education.

Larry Wimmer, also an associate dean of General Education, said the only way for students to remove a flag placed on their registrations is to talk with their advisement center counselors and discuss how the requirements will be fulfilled.

He said it is important for students to complete American Heritage, a first-year writing course and both Book of Mormon classes during their freshman year.

Wimmer said the need for students to complete these classes early in their college education is both a philosophy and a logistical concern.

One reason for BYU general education requirements is the need for common academic experiences, Wimmer said. He said he hoped that students, in a lifetime of learning, will have more in common than football. It is easier to relate to others if there is some common interest or education in both backgrounds. "In a lifetime of learning, understanding who we are as individuals in a community is important," Wimmer said.

Another reason for completing general education requirements is for breadth, Wimmer said. The requirement helps students explore different majors and helps them experience or brush up in multiple areas.

The logistics behind general education courses is also a concern, Wimmer said.

"We can plan exactly how many seats if they take their G.E.s in the first year," Wimmer said.

Wimmer said students who decide to put off their first-year classes create bottlenecks later, which only allow a few students to register for the specified courses. Another consequence of procrastinating first-year classes is the waste of resources, he said.

"We have wasted money in the past by offering too many classes that students didn't sign up for," Hansen said.

Wimmer said the best way to solve the problems associated with general education requirements is for freshmen to take American Heritage, both Book of Mormon sections and a first-year writing class during their first year.

He said 500 freshmen have not taken their beginning English class, and 800 freshmen are not taking American Heritage and are not registered for it Winter Semester.

Hansen said she realizes some freshmen may have reasons why they are not completing their classes. Students may be opting for the six-hour track instead of taking American Heritage, they may want to take classes over the summer through Independent Study or through a community college, and some students may be going on missions.

Michael Trousdale, 18, a freshman from Simi Valley, Calif., majoring in chemical engineering, says he plans to take American Heritage after his mission because he was not aware he was required to take it his first year.

Hansen said if freshman weren't aware of the requirements before the letter came out, they should be now.

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rent mission," said Nel- Ricks College chef. "It's now how to do."

Smith Academy Build- cross the street from the ole site, was recently pur- LDS Church and will be U's Semester at Nauvoo

The academy includes dorm rooms, classrooms, a computer lab, gymnasium, recreation hall and a soon-to-be-built kitchen.

The LDS Church-owned building was formerly a Catholic girls' high school known as St. Mary Academy. When the LDS Church purchased the building, it agreed to let the nuns live in one portion of the academy until Fall 2002.

At that time, the sisters will relocate to another building.

Because the nuns still occupy the portion of the academy where the kitchen is located, BYU needed to build another kitchen to feed the students involved with Semester at Nauvoo.

BYU Dining Services was given the task to construct and supply the new kitchen.

Dean A. Wright, director of BYU Dining Services, said to furnish the kitchen, Dining Services used surplus BYU equipment as well as donated supplies from three companies: Hobart, NuSkin and Restaurant & Store Equipment.

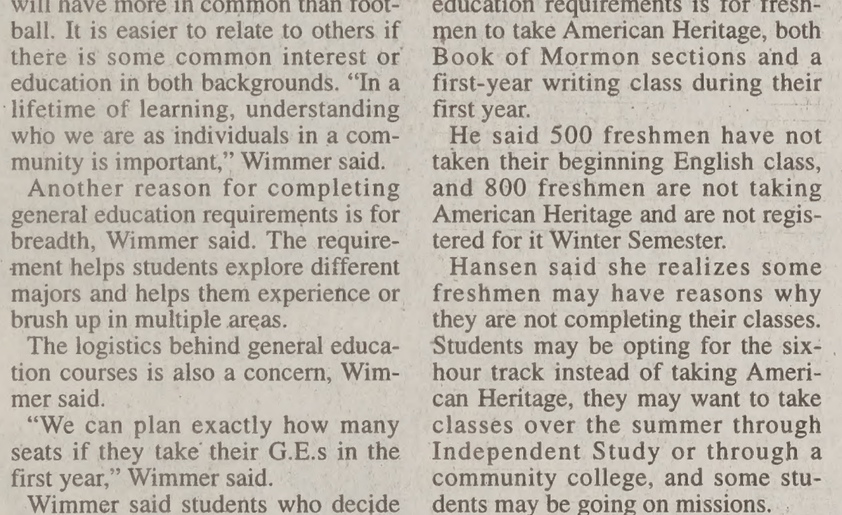
Two semi-trailers filled with food and equipment for the new kitchen left Salt Lake City on Monday and are scheduled to arrive in Nauvoo today, when construction will begin.

The kitchen will include all the necessary items to feed 150 to 200 people per meal, Wright said. The kitchen will have a grill, mixer, full dish room, freezers, ovens, juice dispensers and a serving line.

"It'll be just like a small Morris Center or Cannon Center," he said.

Previously students in the Nauvoo program lived in the senior missionary couple homes and cooked meals on their own.

During Winter Semester, 45 students will be involved with the program. That number will increase to 120 by Fall Semester 2000, said Debby Bennion, from program development at BYU Travel Study.



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Dale Blair of Salt Lake loads up a truck with supplies headed for the new Nauvoo center. The LDS Church has implemented a mission for BYU's Semester at Nauvoo program; it includes food service.

Correction

A photo caption on the front page of Monday's paper contained incorrect information. The smaller photo showed the Provo Towne Centre Santa sitting in the Regis Hair Salon. The Daily Universe regrets the error.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Experts worry about Y2K hoarding

NEW YORK — Even Kosmas Spiridellis, the top technology manager and the main fixer of millennium bugs for securities firm CIBC World Market, still plans to withdraw a few thousand dollars in cash before New Year's, just in case bank computers misread the year 2000 as 1900.

Many government and business leaders say such last-minute moves around the world could create even bigger problems than computer bugs themselves.

Eleventh-hour stockpiling by the people has experts concerned.

Sellers of emergency equipment such as electrical generators already are sold out. Phone companies are worried that millions of people will pick up the phone at the same time to check for a dial tone, overloading the system. The government fears stockpiling may squeeze supplies of food and other necessities.

Some 55 percent of Americans plan to withdraw two to six weeks' worth of cash in preparation for 2000, 65 percent say they may sell stock, according to a Gartner Group study. Sixty-seven percent plan to store seven to 18 days' worth of food.

Study says kids' 'future clouded'

WASHINGTON — Teen pregnancy, child abuse and a lack of health care are among the biggest threats to America's children on the brink of the new millennium, child advocates said in a report Monday.

"America's future is clouded by significant risks confronting our children today," Clarence Anthony, president of the National League of Cities and mayor of South Bay, Fla., said at a news conference. "They are chronic. They are pervasive and they continue to tear at the fabric of America's future."

The report, "Ten Critical Threats to America's Children: Warning Signs for the Next Millennium," also lists such threats as poverty, absent parents, crime, environmental dangers, inadequate child care, dangerous forays into sex and drugs and poor schools.

The study is the work of the National School Boards Association, the National League of Cities, Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital, Youth Crime Watch of America and the National Association of Child Advocates.

Social Security eligibility age to be 67

WASHINGTON — The Social Security retirement age is going up — from 65 to 67 — and Americans will begin to feel the effects next year. The changes have been in the works for 16 years, but pollsters say most people have no idea they are imminent.

Now 65, the normal Social Security eligibility age eventually will reach 67 for those born in 1960 or later. Also, taking early retirement at age 62 is becoming less of a good deal.

"Americans are living longer and healthier lives, which is very good news, but the system needed to create greater incentives to work longer in order to continue to function," Social Security Commissioner Kenneth S. Apfel said.

The changes initially affect people born in 1938, who will turn 62 in 2000 and become eligible for Social Security's early retirement option.

The typical person retiring at age 62 in 2000 will receive $721 a month, a decrease from $728.

Albright to check peace progress

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright will fly to the Middle East Sunday to check on progress toward a settlement between Israel and the Palestinians.

She will stop in Israel, Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia over five days.

Israel and the Palestinians have set mid-February as their goal for the outline of a final settlement and mid-September for concluding the accord.

President Clinton pledged his help in talks a month ago in Oslo, Norway, with Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Yasser Arafat, and said he would send Albright on one or possibly two trips to the area before February.

He also offered to host a summit in the United States.

Albright's stop in Syria is designed to measure interest in a reopening of negotiations with Israel. In Saudi Arabia she is likely to focus on Iraq and its decision to suspend petroleum exports.

Weather

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		Low	35	Low	26

sources: BYU Geography Dept., CNN

Date-rape drug linked to 6 DUIs

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The dietary supplement commonly used as a date-rape drug has also been linked to several traffic accidents and arrests for driving under the influence in Orem.

Regenerize contains the drug GHB, gamma hydroxybutyric acid, and can have the same effects as alcohol, causing fatigue and altered responses.

"They react like they are drunk, except they may become more aggravated," said Lt. Doug Edwards, public information officer for the Orem Police Department.

A car went off the road in Orem because its driver was under the influence of Regenerize, Edwards said. The driver was taken to the hospital and received more treatment for taking the drug than for injuries from the accident, he said.

Regenerize has also been linked to more than six DUI arrests in Orem. Often a person who has taken the drug does not react to pain stimulus and has a low respiratory rate, Edwards said.

"Regenerize is dangerous because it acts so quickly, unlike alcohol," Edwards said. "Ten minutes after you take it, you will feel its effects and you could be out."

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has issued a warning about the serious effects of Regenerize and products containing GHB.

Some of these effects are unconsciousness, vomiting, seizures or even death, according to the FDA's Web site.

In March, FDA officials urged companies manufacturing drugs containing GHB to cease production and distribution and conduct a recall.

GHB is not a controlled substance in Utah, said Utah County attorney Kay Bryson. It cannot be declared a controlled substance until the state enacts legislation, Bryson said.

However, 20 states nationwide have already enacted legislation that declares GHB as a controlled substance, according to the FDA.

Feuding sides join in new Irish system

Associated Press

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — On a day many thought would never come, Protestant and Catholic adversaries on Monday formed an extraordinary Northern Ireland government that attempts to bring together every branch of opinion within their bitterly divided society.

The unprecedented four-party administration — due to receive powers Thursday from the British government — includes Catholics who long vowed never to accept Northern Ireland's right to exist, and Protestants just as unwilling to accept Catholics as political equals.

Triggering an exercise envisioned in the Good Friday peace accord but delayed for more than a year, the four biggest parties within Northern Ireland's legislature took turns unveiling their choices for a 12-member Cabinet, an exercise akin to a professional sports draft pick.

Picking first were the province's major British Protestant party, the Ulster Unionists, and major Irish Catholic party, the Social Democratic and Labor Party or SDLP. They both got four posts.

But Protestant legislators gathered at Stormont Parliamentary Building in Belfast gasped when Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams announced his first pick, his party's chief negotiator, Martin McGuinness, as education minister.

McGuinness — who rose to the top of the Irish Republican Army's command in the 1970s — will now oversee the predominantly Protestant state schools as well as the separate Catholic system.

Sinn Fein's other candidate, schoolteacher Bairbre de Brun, had been considered the far more likely pick for the education post.

She instead received the health ministry, arguably the toughest job in the administration, since closing hospitals is on the agenda.

"The reality is that very many young people do look up to Martin McGuinness," said Sinn Fein chairman Mitchel McLaughlin, who pledged that both McGuinness and de Brun would help project "a vision of a society at peace with itself."

And even the Democratic Unionists, the province's most uncompromising Protestant party, took their two allotted posts within a Cabinet they had hoped would never be born.

The Democratic Unionists promised to do their jobs impartially but vowed never to sit in the same Cabinet room as McGuinness, a factor certain to make the government's early days particularly problematic.

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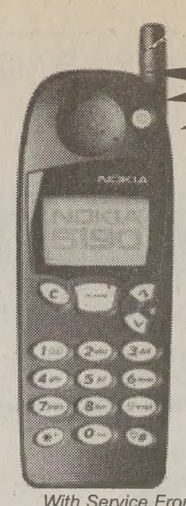

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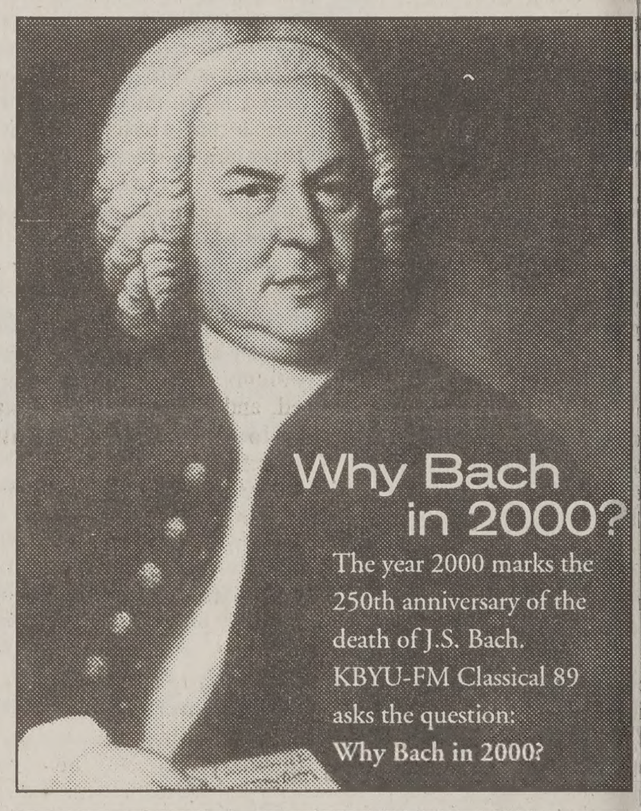

Why Bach in 2000?

The year 2000 marks the 250th anniversary of the death of J.S. Bach. KBYU-FM Classical 89 asks the question: Why Bach in 2000?

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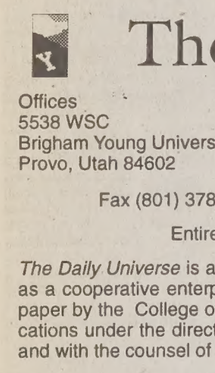
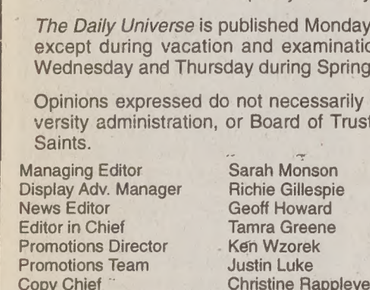


"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

— John 15:13

Julie Mittelstaedt said she likes this scripture because "to have so much love for a person that you would lay down your life for them is incredible." Mittelstaedt is a freshman from Houston majoring in nursing.



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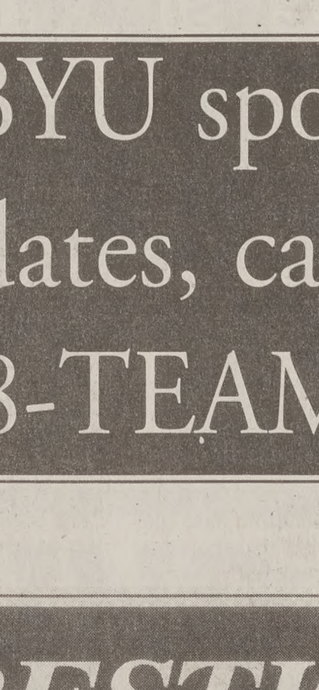

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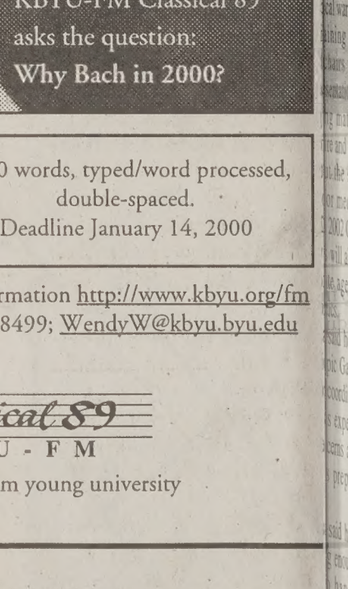

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Naked swordsman faces charge

Associated Press

LONDON — A man was charged with attempted murder Monday after police said he stormed naked through a Roman Catholic Mass in a sword-wielding rampage, injuring 11 people.

Eden Strang, 26, was charged with attempting to kill Paul Chilton, 50, the most seriously injured of the congregants at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church in the southern London suburb of Thornton Heath.

Doctors said the attacker cut through Chilton's jawbone with a 3-foot sword, slicing three front teeth off at the root.

The blows severed his jugular vein and also cut off a thumb and a finger.

Worshippers returned to the church Monday to pray for the injured congregants — and for the man who burst into the church nude during their Sunday morning Mass.

Scotland Yard said it knew of no motive for the rampage.

"Apart from suffering some severe depression, we have no details as to why he carried out this horrific attack," Detective Chief Inspector Phil Fitzgerald said.

Witnesses said the naked man burst into the congregation, lashing out at people with a gold and silver sword. The elderly and those who were too slow or stunned to get out of the way took the brunt of the attack.

Worshippers fled screaming and slipping in blood.

Some half-dozen men wrestled the attacker to the ground. Tom Tracey, an off-duty police officer, ripped out an organ pipe and a bank clerk used a crucifix attached to a pole to subdue the man.

Father Bill Agley, who spoke at Monday's Mass, said he urged those in attendance to pray for forgiveness for the attacker and his family because "we all need healing."

"Of course it is difficult, but we as Christians need to work for healing and forgiveness," he said. "We are very keen to have an open door policy, and we do need to look at the issue of security. It is a very difficult balancing act."

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ean chimneys lessen fires

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"The high temperatures at which (chimney fires) burn can melt mortar, crack tiles, cause liners to collapse and damage the outer masonry material," according to the CSIA Web site.

During chimney fires, many home owners have reported low rumbling sounds that reminded them of a freight train or a low-flying airplane, according to the CSIA Web site.

Fires can also be detected by looking for flames and smoke shooting from the chimney.

However, some homeowners may not know they have had a fire at all.

Signs of a silent chimney fire are warped metal on the chimney damper, cracks in exterior masonry, and discolored or distorted rain caps.

Because these fires can endanger homes and their occupants, it is important to repair the damages as soon as they are discovered, according to the CSIA Web site.

The Chimney Safety Institute site strongly urges homeowners to leave their homes when chimney fires occur and call the fire department. The site also recommends closing the fire place doors and air inlets on wood stoves, if there is no risk of injury.

The best way to prevent a chimney fire is to have the chimney cleaned and checked annually, Eckersley said. The Chimney Safety Institute recommends building smaller, hotter fires that burn more completely.

Also, cardboard boxes or trash should never be burned.

Dana Gueck, co-owner of a chimney cleaning business in Springville, said a cleaning job can cost from $55 to $65 and takes about an hour.

A surge of chimney cleanings has been brought on by Y2K, Gueck said.

"I guess people watched the movie 'Y2K' on Sunday, and now we're swamped. People think the power is going to go out, and they want to be ready. Some people have never used their chimneys before, but they want to be prepared for Y2K," she said.

EMT to head emergency committee

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aid he is concerned with enough emergency per- handle a disaster. In Olympics depleted the gency resources because ers wanted to help with the Olympics, he said.

Howard said each location of the Olympic events presents individual problems. Security has been tightened, and venues are being watched now to prevent terrorists' attacks, Howard said.

Winter Olympics also present problems summer games do not.

Workers need to be aware of problems because weapons can be concealed more easily with warmer clothes worn in the winter, Howard said.

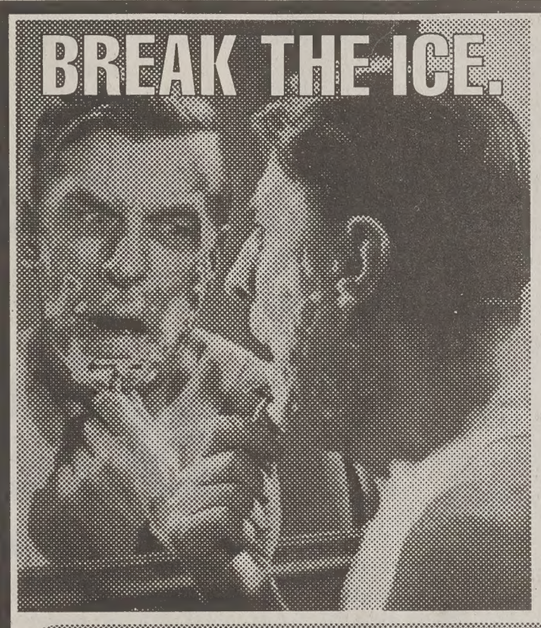
Workers are also being taught to deal with injuries caused by cold weather, Howard said.

"I'm sure there will be problems, but they'll be dealt with professionally," said John Higley, a member of the training committee.

Because of the large amount of students in one area, there is a concern that universities in the state may be potential targets for terrorist acts, Howard said.

The Marriott Center and the football stadium are two of the greatest areas of danger for terrorist attacks at BYU, Higley said. He said he encourages students to be prepared for emergencies by being aware of their surroundings and by reporting suspicious behavior.

"Students don't need to worry, but they should be prepared," Higley said.



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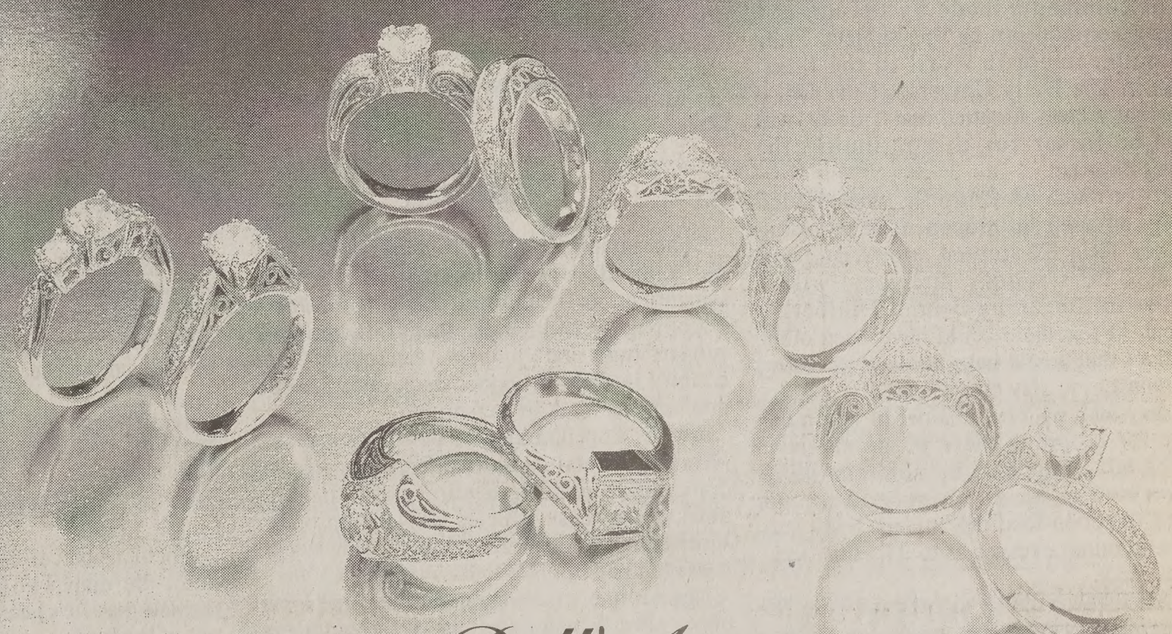

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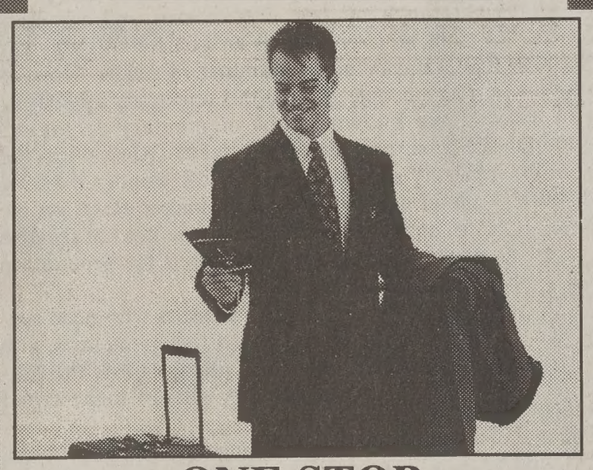

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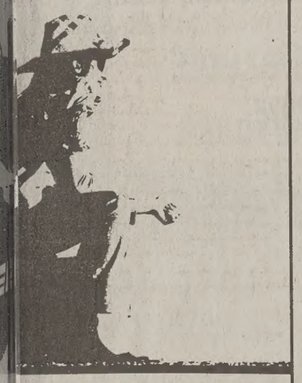

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Engaging China

Perhaps he is trying to make history or perhaps he actually did something right, but whatever his motivation, kudos to President Clinton for his efforts to get China admitted into the World Trade Organization.

A recent New York Times article cited that every president since Nixon has sooner or later come to the conclusion within their presidency that engagement with China is the only real option. Although Clinton vowed in his `92 campaign to keep trade and human rights tightly linked in regard to China, he realized within a year and a half into his presidency that to isolate China would be a grave mistake. From `94 on, Clinton began promoting open trade with China and slowly began disconnecting trade with human rights.

Although China's admittance would encourage economic growth and development in the country, several groups have been outraged by this idea; not the least of which are human rights groups and U.S. labor organizations.

Human rights camps argue that encouraging open trade with China without enforcing sanctions is a blank check for the Chinese government to continue committing human rights atrocities, such as the imprisonment into re-education through labor camps of the Falun Gong group.

U.S. labor groups are mainly concerned with the possible loss of jobs that will result if U.S. retailers begin buying from Chinese textile and apparel companies instead of U.S. producers.

Although both groups have valid points, President Clinton may have a better one.

Human rights advocates say that through this de-linking of human rights and trade, we are taking steps backward in promoting individual rights and freedoms worldwide. While it's true that current U.S. policy holds no punishment for China if it decides to continue human rights violations, open trade may be the beginning of economic freedom for the Chinese. Economic freedom could very well lead to increased political freedom and on to social reform.

It has become increasingly clear that U.S.-imposed sanctions on China in the past have been ineffective. Although the U.S. has threatened to discontinue China's "most favored nation" status, (an action that would severely limit, if not cut off, trade with China altogether) it has never carried through with its promises. The threat has become meaningless and China's policies have remained unchanged.

However, if the United States is openly engaged with China, political change for China may occur internally as the Chinese become more wealthy and begin to obtain real property.

James A. Dorn, a member of the Cato Institute, a Washington, D.C., political think-tank, argues that as Chinese wealth and personal freedoms increase, its desire to protect that wealth and freedom through involvement in the political process will increase as well. Thus social reforms will occur internally, rather than the United States trying to impose ineffective sanctions that would economically damage China.

As far as the labor organizations are concerned, there is something they should consider — a market of 1.5 billion people. China is the largest market in the world, and access to that market could be a dream come true for American producers.

For example, with more opportunities the Chinese will likely improve their diet. If everyone in China only increased their fruit intake by one more orange per week, that would mean 1.5 billion more oranges per week. Those oranges have to come from somewhere. Why not the U.S.? The same reasoning applies to other agricultural and textile markets. The sheer size of the market is compelling enough to attract U.S. business and keep U.S. laborers employed.

Yes, China is guilty of hundreds of human rights violations. But if the we isolate China and refuse to trade with them, the economic damage inflicted on China would be even more of a catastrophe (just look at Cuba). Active engagement by the United States with China is the best way to improve the lives of the Chinese and build the U.S. economy at the same time.

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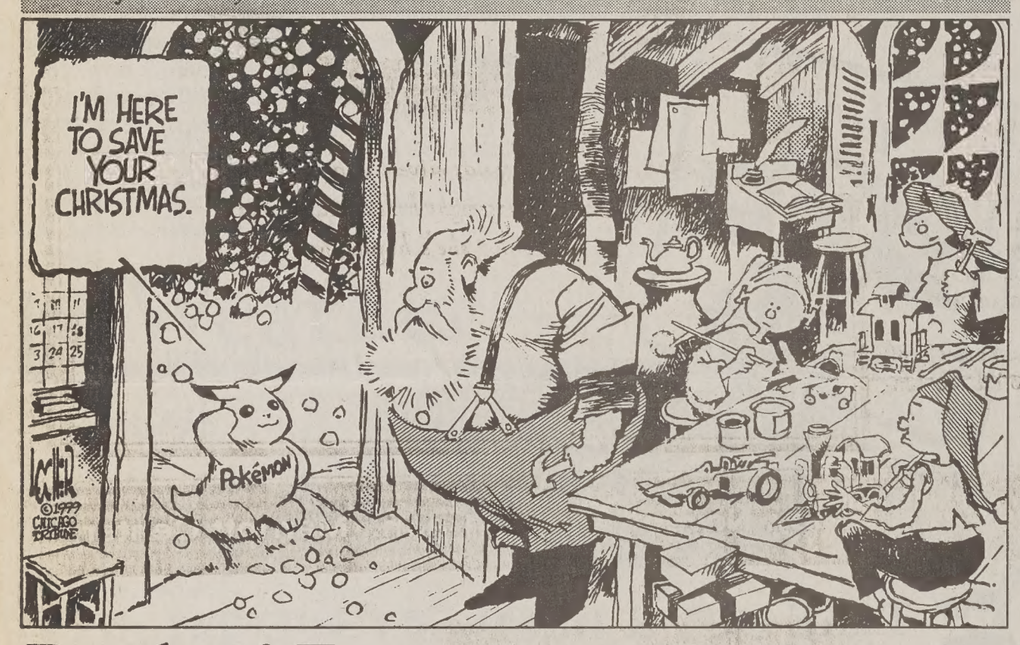

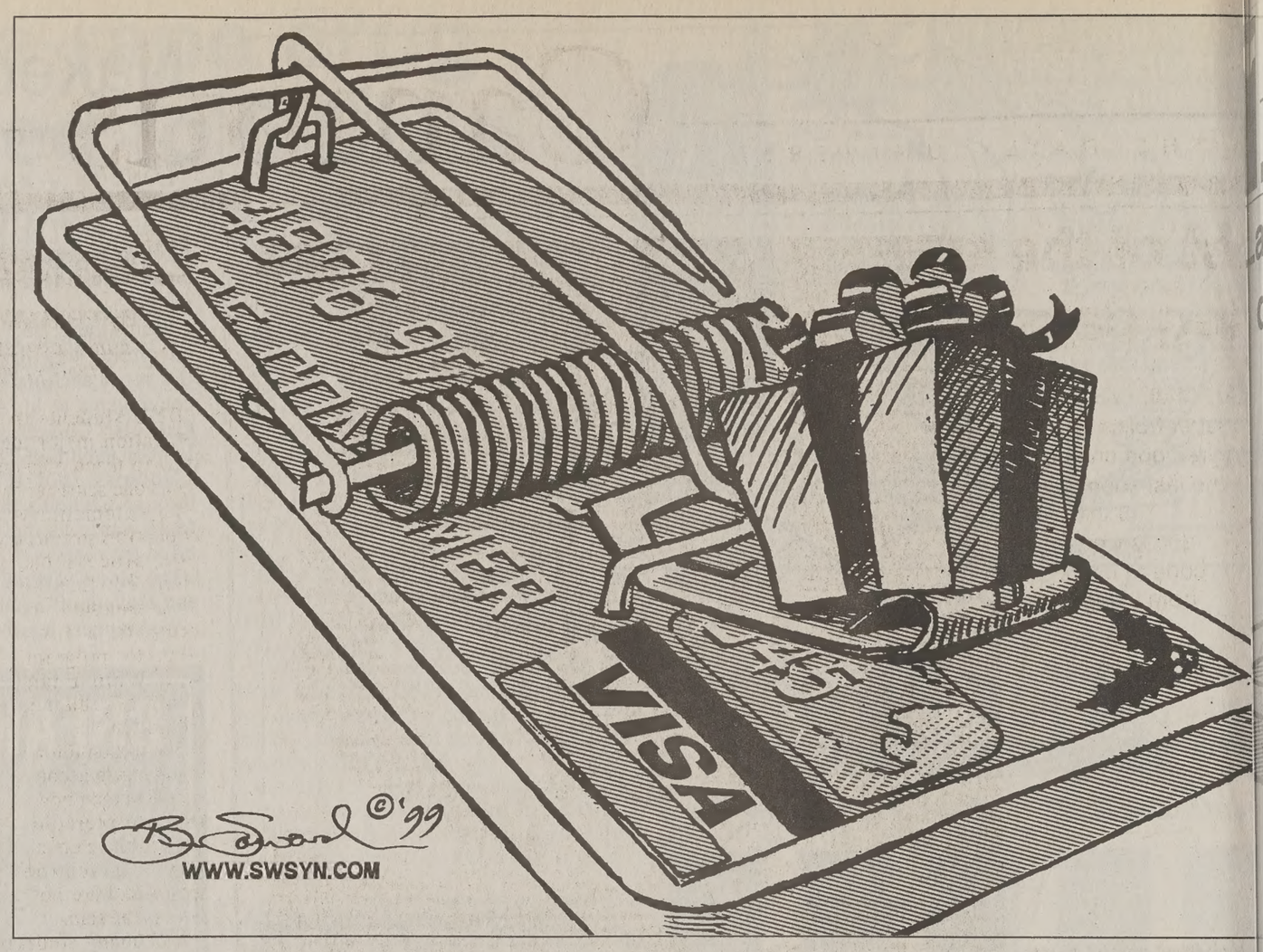

Readers' Forum

Title IX

These past four years at BYU have been an enjoyable experience, and I am grateful for the opportunity I have had to study at this fine school. My life has been enriched by the contributions of the faculty and others I have worked with during this time.

On April 2, however, I was appalled to find out that BYU announced it was suddenly going to drop the men's wrestling program. In The Daily Universe article and companion press release, the reasons cited by the administration for this decision were cost, fan participation and nationwide trends. Title IX was specifically cited as NOT being a major factor.

It has been interesting to follow the development of comments made by the athletic administration concerning this subject. From the announcement in April to the latest remarks in The Daily Universe (Nov. 15), it has gradually been admitted that Title IX was the major factor for discontinuing the wrestling program.

It was not much of a surprise when Rondo Fehlberg, an adamant proponent of wrestling and other Title IX-stunted sports, stepped down as BYU's athletic director. I wish I knew the full meaning behind Fehlberg's statement, "I felt there could have been other alternatives that would have allowed wrestling and gymnastics to stay on campus."

I am disgusted with the manner in which the reasons for dropping these programs have been shared. Comments by administrators have seemed to me to be deceptive and designed to spoon-feed the student body and public with minor excuses as to why this decision was made.

Why has it taken seven months for Title IX to be disclosed as the major reason for discontinuing wrestling and gymnastics? A portion of BYU's "light to the world" has been extinguished. I hope other schools do not follow this example.

Christian Fox
Cameron Park, Calif.

Consumer victory

Government has just won another "victory" for the consumer.

The city of Santa Monica has recently decreed a ban on ATM fees. Banks in Santa Monica can no longer charge other banks' customers transaction fees.

Banks have responded as can be expected. Wells Fargo's 12 ATMs and Bank of America's 21 machines in Santa Monica stopped spitting out cash to anyone except their own customers.

The change set off howls of protest, but is in reality little different than banks refusing to supply drive-up banking services to anyone but account holders.

The upset also reveals a fundamental misunderstanding of what ATMs are. They are not a public good or something that is created ex nihilo. An ATM can cost as much as $20,000. Banks do not compel people to use ATMs.

It frightens me that so many people want to force someone else to give them services for free. I look forward to a libertarian society that rewards individual effort and protects free enterprise. In the meantime, if you don't like ATM fees, don't pay them.

Ty Mackey
Reno

Champs

Congratulations to the 1999 national champions, the BYU women's cross-country team, which won its second NCAA championship in Bloomington, Ind. Unlike many athletes, these runners train and compete year-round: cross-country in the fall, indoor track during winter and outdoor track in the spring.

It takes a special kind of person to meet the physical, mental and emotional demands that competitive running requires daily. It is not unusual for these athletes to wake up before sunrise and run in order to fulfill their weekly mileage in addition to team workouts.

These runners have trained to become a part of the elite. A major attribute of these runners' success is their positive mental attitude. Running is not a pleasant experience 100 percent of the time. In fact, during the last mile of a 5K race when the body is feeling fatigued, it takes a mentally strong individual to push competitively through the finish line.

This national championship represents a lot of hard work throughout the season and preseason. Whenever you see the BYU women's cross-country team in the familiar BYU running attire, give them a wave and congratulate them on their recent success.

To the runners, congrats and best of luck in the upcoming indoor track season.

Nicole Evans
Sandy

Black eye

Although certainly unintended, the person who was so disturbed by the waving of a red flag during the recent BYU-Utah game that he decided to assault the flag bearer has made Billy Priddis, a heretofore unknown University of Utah cheerleader, into something of a hero.

This is in addition to the significant damage done to BYU's image nationally. The media coverage I have seen has been uniformly sympathetic to Priddis and his reaction to being tackled from behind. CBS SportsLine, for example, gushes about his justifiable effort to, in their words, "teach the agitated Cougar fan a lesson."

There also seems to be virtual unanimity of opinion among my work colleagues and in the online sports-related chat rooms that this overly emotional BYU fan merited every blow delivered by Priddis with many lamenting the fact that Priddis didn't have time to land a few more punches before being restrained.

This line of thought is in complete contrast to the Gandhian view expressed by the author of Nov. 22's "Poor sports" letter, who seems distraught that Priddis was not a better Christian than his attacker and elected not to turn the other cheek.

The author's apologetic comments about his fellow Ute's actions may be laudable, but the burden of responsibility for this incident does not belong to Priddis. Any criticism should be focused where it belongs — on the fan who trespassed, disrupted the event observers had paid to see and committed what satisfies the legal definition of battery.

Tolerating the excessive celebratory activity of the other team's fans and cheerleaders is part of the experience of attending a football game. If there are other individuals whose impulse control is similarly underdeveloped they should consider watching BYU games on television.

If you do happen to lose control at a game, leave your seat, enter the field and launch a blind side assault on an opposing team's cheerleader, then it is clear to me that in today's world you should expect to see others applaud as you receive a retaliatory pummeling by your victim.

That is what happened in Cougar Stadium on Nov. 20. The black eye, literally and figuratively, belongs to the BYU fan who, as an unwitting villain, has dishonored this great university and propelled an otherwise nameless Utah cheerleader to transient hero status. Any attempt to minimize the egregious nature of the actions that led to this incident would be an insult to those who abide by the standards of BYU.

Craig Jensen
Houston

Anger management

I understand that the University of Utah has had, in the past, a weight limit for female cheerleaders. Their rationale was safety due to the lifts and stunts cheerleaders were required to perform. After observing the actions of one of the male cheerleaders at Saturday's football game, and the subsequent high fives to his teammates, I suggest anger-management classes are also in order for the Utah cheerleaders.

David Draper
BYU Physical Education Department

Retaliation

Whether you call him stupid or a courageous hero, the man who jumped on the field and tackled the Ute cheerleader was rightly kicked out of the game.

However, when the Ute cheerleader, not in defense, but in RETALIATION, began to pound on the little guy, that cheerleader crossed the line. He also should have been kicked out. Especially since, as a representative of his school, he should have been above that, even if the school is the U of U.

It's one thing for a fan to behave like that. It's quite another for a school representative. Cheers to Val Hale for attempting to have the cheerleader kicked out.

Jeers to the gutless, sorry excuse for a police department we have at BYU for not removing the guy.

Matt Avery
Las Vegas

Defending police

In response to the hate-filled letter attacking the university police last week, I would like to defend our police.

First off, whatever anyone says, BYU is a much safer campus than virtually every other one in the country.

Secondly, the University Police's jurisdiction ends at campus. If you want full protection from our effective police force here, you should live on campus. If you have made the voluntary decision to live off campus you must face the consequences.

Off-campus protection is the job of the Provo police. You may not like this arrangement, but it is the legal reality, and police operate within the legal realm. So, if you live off campus you must turn to the Provo police for protection. If you do not like their protection, at least lay the blame on them and not on the university police.

John Lambert
Sterling Heights, Mich.

Responsibility

I must disagree with one of the letters from Nov. 23. This concerns the argument that "Kip Kinkel is mentally ill and is physically unable to control his brain," thus resulting in the shooting at his Oregon high school.

Although I have not experienced the same mental difficulties that Kip has, I do know what it is like to have no control of my brain.

Until I received the correct medication, I fought obsessive compulsion disorder and manic depression a few years ago. This period was the most excruciating of my life. I was tempted to do awful things that would have destroyed my spiritual progression, but thanks to my devotion to the gospel I survived, and now my life is beautiful.

I do not know if Kip had the gospel in his life, but I do have a testimony from my own experiences that God would never put any one of his children down on earth to be destined to commit crimes — from mental disorders or any other reason. No matter what challenges life gives us, we are NEVER forced against our will and conscience to disobey God's commandments.

A good principle to be applied here is that Heavenly Father does not give us challenges that we cannot overcome.

There is a false belief in our society that a person is not responsible for his terrible actions if he is challenged somehow. This is truly wrong.

F. Charles Roecker IV
Simsbury, Conn.

Grammar gone?

In Nov. 16's Daily Universe, an ad mentioned "Lan Party's." Was that supposed to read "Lan Parties"? That is a fourth-grade grammar mistake. Yet themes and compositions all over campus are replete with this and other very basic grammar mistakes. How do these people get into this university anyway?

I've known fellow elementary ed majors whose conversations were filled with "he don't" and "you was," and I wonder if caring about correct English no longer exists on the college level. Isn't there some kind of English mastery proficiency required for graduation from BYU?

And then there are professors who need secretaries to help them start their sentences with a capital letter. In such cases, I think the professor and the secretary should make equal salaries.

Why is the English language such a problem on a campus where the requirements for entrance are so high? Grammar mistakes, such as not knowing the difference between a plural and a possessive, should be non-existent!

Moreover, one would think that [illegible] and editors of the university newsp[aper] be on the cutting edge of English [illegible] — catching mistakes and not ma[king] And so I ask, "What is the ACT t[est] out, anyway?"

Brandy McCuen
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Class summar[y]

I think I am not alone in facing a[nx]iety tration come registration time. The[re] choosing classes is such that the un[iversity] created scores of advisement c[enters] assigned us to faculty mentors, a[nd] programs.

The classes we pick determine m[y] next few months, but eventually [my] future. And yet all the course catal[og] two- or three-line summary of each.

In the age of tree butchering, I c[an't] stand why we needed to keep t[he] descriptions so short. Very envir[o]nment friendly of us. But the course catal[og] able online now, and all we ask is fo[r] to give their little lives in service to [man]

I think it would be of enormous v[alue] student body if the online course d[e]scriptions were expanded and included links [to] home pages. This very simple cha[nge] keep a lot of us from wasting time [on] that don't really fit their three-line ta[g]

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ast of the dog days

An intramural soccer player frolics with an injured dog on one of the last sunny days of the year. The dog is wearing a cone to prevent it from biting itself.

Myra Carlsruh/Daily Universe

ntors aid suspended students

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ntor program created by the Career and ng Center is helping students on academic sus- eturn to BYU.

pring term, 61 students have to BYU after being suspended. of the returning students were d again because of academic

udents were able to return f a change in the BYU suspen- cy involving a mentor system into effect in June 1998. nge granted suspended students tunity to return to BYU after a h period, an ecclesiastical nent and involvement in the rogram, said Craig Orme, an ator of Academic Support.

e really pleased with the way the faculty has l to the mentoring program," Orme said. ntor program helps these students identify obsta- solutions in their academic careers by meeting ners in their specific majors, Orme said. perience is that even some of the brightest and tudents have academic problems. It's not a prod- lity as much as it is letting other things get in the me said.

the program has given teachers in each depart- opportunity to work with students who need e.

he believes the program is a good intervention and he gives teachers a lot of credit for helping. He also said he believes teachers should be recognized for being student mentors.

"Professors get accolades for teaching, they get accolades for research, but they are just expected to meet with students," Orme said.

He said many professors already mentor students and should be recognized for their work.

Jeff Turley, professor of humanities and a member of the mentor committee, said the mentor program gives students the opportunity to meet one-on-one with a teacher who understands the specific problems in the major.

He said students have an accountability to someone who understands their situation but is also detached enough to give advice.

"We work through possible problems in the student's life, but it is the student's responsibility to identify the specific problems and set goals of improvement," Turley said.

Students who have been put on academic warning or probation are sent a letter at the end of the semester. The letter says the student may enroll for the next semester, but before the student may enroll beyond that, the student must improve grades to be accepted into good academic standing and meet with a faculty mentor.

Ronald Chapman, director of the Career and Counseling Center, said the mentor program is advantageous to students.

"The program gives students the opportunity to work with teachers that they wouldn't have been able to work with. It is really remarkable," Chapman said.

Elementary education makes changes

By ERIN MORRISON
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BYU students in the elementary education major may start learning how to teach elementary school students one semester earlier.

The elementary education graduation process has changed from a three-semester program to a four-semester program, said Winn Egan, chair of Teacher Education.

The reason for the change is to accommodate credit hours that are prerequisites to the elementary education major and are not accepted by other majors, he said.

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The classes for those unrecoverable hours will still have to be taken, but only after students are accepted into the major as an "art semester," creating the four-semester program, Egan said.

The art semester includes 16 credit hours of dance, music, art, drama, math, physical education and instructional psychology and technology classes.

Egan said the change in the program makes the faculty members excited because only students who have actually been admitted into the elementary education major will be taking the classes.

"It's a win, win, win," he said.

Lynnette Erickson, associate chair of Teacher Education, said she thinks the change will be beneficial to students.

"The hope is that students will be more decisive about their major," she said.

Erickson assured the change does not increase the amount of hours necessary for the major.

"There hasn't been any addition of any hours," she said.

In January, students who have already taken the prerequisites can be admitted into the last three-semester program of elementary education. Other students can be accepted into the four-semester program, which will begin Fall Semester 2000.

Each fall and winter semester, 180 students are accepted into the elementary education major.

Linda Parker, supervisor for the Education Advisement Center, said the need for elementary and secondary teachers is on the rise.

However, the change has left some students uncertain about which program to apply for.

Lindsey Hayes, 19, a sophomore from Summerville, S.C., said with the major's change, she does not know what program she can be accepted into. Hayes said she hopes to be accepted into the three-semester program because she has already taken the art semester credit hours, but she has not finished her general education courses yet.

"I'm going to talk to an adviser, (because) I don't have time to get everything done before the January deadline," Hayes said.

Parker said which program students in Hayes' situation are accepted into depends on how many general education classes they have left.

"The best thing for them is to visit with an adviser," she said.

Shalayne Davis is also stuck in the middle of the change. Davis, 19, a sophomore from Boise, Idaho, has not been accepted into the elementary education major but has taken most of the art semester classes.

"The change is really good, unless you're in the middle, Davis said. "I can't apply until winter semester now — it's frustrating."

For more information about the change in the elementary education program, meetings will be held on Thursday at 11 a.m. in 2104 JKHB and at 5 p.m. in 2015 JKHB.

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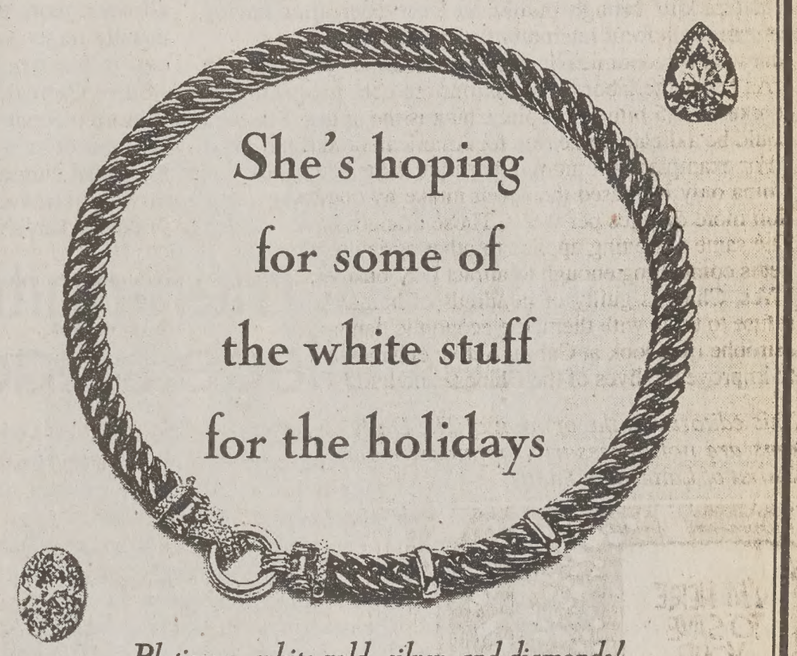

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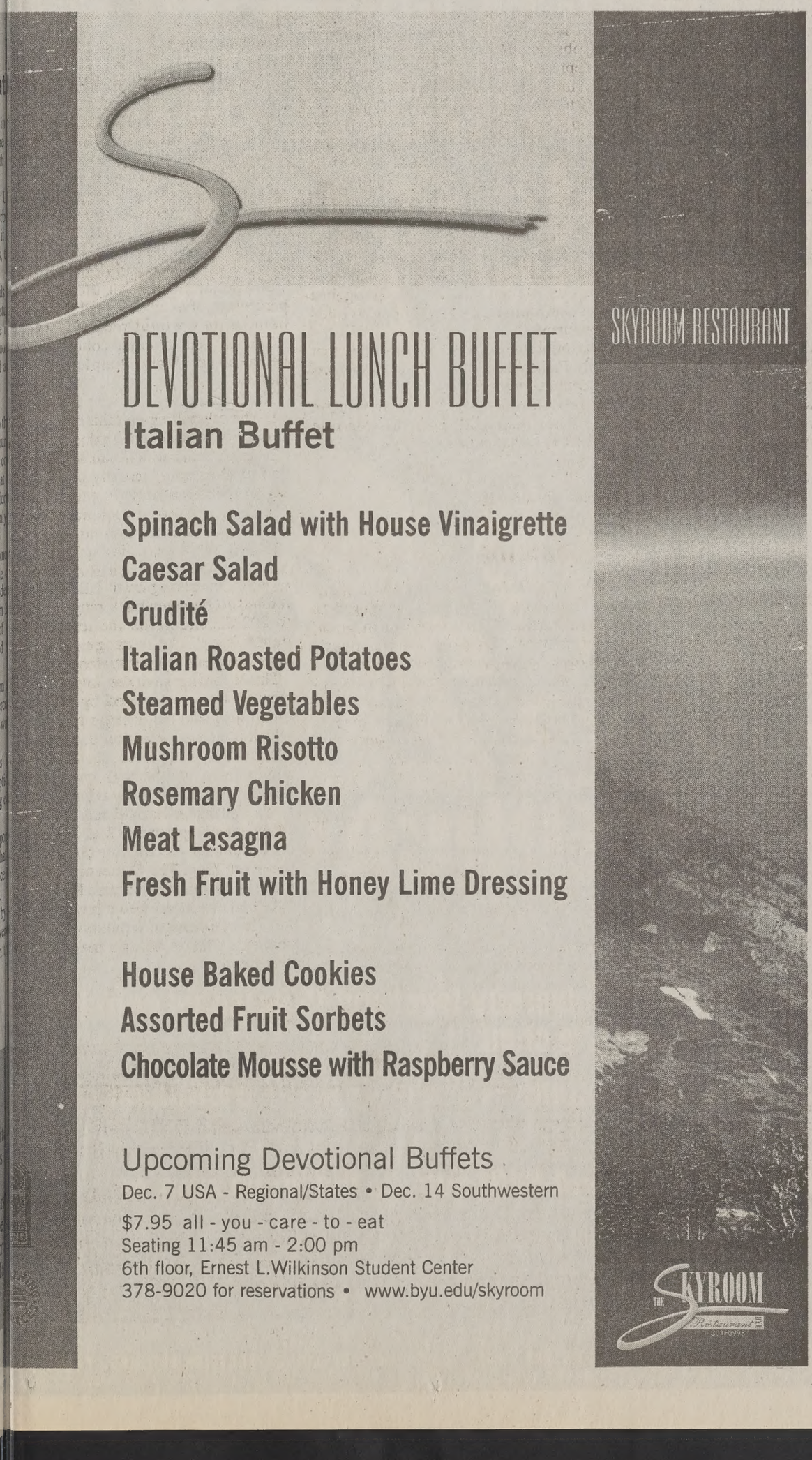

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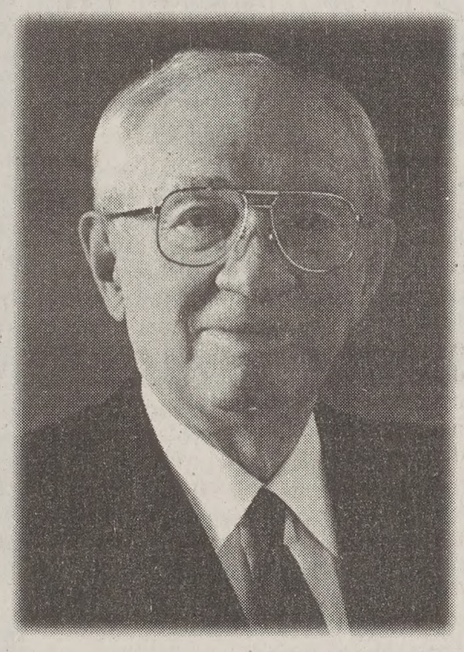

President Gordon B. Hinckley

President Gordon B. Hinckley was ordained and set apart as 15th president of the Church on Sunday, March 12, 1995. He had earlier served 14 years as a counselor in the First Presidency and as a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles for 20 years before that.

A graduate of the University of Utah, President Hinckley has received numerous educational honors, including the Distinguished Citizen Award from Southern Utah University, the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Utah, and honorary doctorates from Westminster College, Utah State University, the University of Utah, Brigham Young University, and Southern Utah University. He has received the Silver Buffalo Award of the Boy Scouts of America and has been honored by the National Conference for Community and Justice (formerly the National Conference of Christians and Jews) for his contributions toward tolerance and understanding in the world.

President Hinckley's Church assignments have taken him around the world several times, and he has dedicated more temples than any other leader in the history of the Church.

He has given numerous interviews to major news media, including the *New York Times, Los Angeles Times,* the CBS *60 Minutes* television news magazine, and the popular CNN cable television program *Larry King Live.*

The Church leader is known for his writing and speaking skills, which he honed as a missionary preaching regularly from a portable stand in London's Hyde Park and further refined as a Church authority. He has written numerous manuals, pamphlets, and scripts.

President Hinckley and his wife, Marjorie Pay Hinckley, have five children and 25 grandchildren.

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Kaplan courses go online

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Maria Valadez is one of a small, but growing pool of students who have decided to take a graduate exam preparation course online.

Valadez, 23, a graduate student from Fullerton, Calif., said she first found out about the online course when she was looking at Kaplan options on the company's Web site. She said she was surprised to see an online class available, but she knew the option would work out the best for her.

"I'm pretty independent, so the Kaplan online course is much more oriented to my own style. I don't know if it would work for everybody," Valadez said.

Valadez said the people who select the Kaplan online option are like people who would rather go shopping on the Web than go to an actual mall.

In all there are seven sessions that last an hour and forty minutes each. Valadez said a packet is also sent to people who sign up for the class.

Included in the packet are several practice tests that are taken at various times between sessions. The first test is taken before any sessions so the person can get a feel for the test. The rest of the tests are sprinkled throughout the sessions.

Valadez said she was pleasantly surprised by the price of online classes. She said it is much less expensive. While a normal course runs upward of $1,100, the current online price is $399.

"It's either motivation or bust. What you need most if you choose this option is discipline," Valadez said.

Valadez will take the LSAT in December after having studied online for three months.

Katy Roy, senior public relations manager of Kaplan in New York City, said the Kaplan online program has received a large response since it started Sept. 4. She said so far the interest has been mostly on the East and West coasts, but there are people from all over the country, as well as other parts of the world, who are enrolled in the online course.

Roy said the online course is actually a multimedia system with live audio and video streaming called RealPlayer.

She said students gets to see the teacher on the top half of the screen, but there is writing at the bottom of each screen so students can read along as well. She said the teachers, who are all qualified, must also have scored in the 95th percentile when they took their specific graduate tests. She said the teachers also undergo an oral exam to ensure they are well spoken and able to work in front of a video camera.

"I am sure we selected our top presenters to be on the Web," Roy said, but it is too early to determine the effectiveness of the online classes, as the graduate tests have not been taken yet. But she believes online classes will continue to grow.

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Kaplan is the first major industry player to offer online test preparation. Roy said Kaplan's online service is not meant to replace regular, live courses because she agrees with Valadez that online courses are not for everyone.

She said that in addition to the classes, students are sent full-length practice exams on CD-ROMs mailed to their homes. Students can also e-mail any questions to Kaplan instructors. There is an FAQ database as well. She said a students receive complimentary study kits, which include more than 1,000 pages of material and vocabulary flash cards.

Roy said students can enroll either online, by visiting kaptest.com, or by calling 1-800-Kaptest. Once enrolled, the student receives a password. She said that unlike a live class, the online student can replay courses as many times as needed over a three-month period.

"We've been getting a tremendous response from people all over; more than Kaplan expected. The online courses usually target young people, who are quicker to adopt a new technology," Roy said.

Steve Corrozi, a public relations representative for the Princeton Review, said at his company there is an online component to all graduate test preparation classes offered. However, currently the company offers no online classes, only practice exams. Corrozi said in the near future Princeton Review will offer online courses to the public.

Local athlete has eyes on 2000 Games

Associated Press

SPRINGVILLE — When Sean Maye discusses Sydney, Australia, he is not talking about urban planning.

Maye, 30, spends his days mapping Springville's future as an urban planner for the Utah County city of 20,000 residents. But when Maye's thoughts turn from Springville to Sydney, the former Brigham Young University track star has visions of Olympic stardom.

"The people around here are great fans," said Maye, a three-time Western Athletic Conference champion while at BYU. "It would be great to make the Olympic team and come back here, because I know everyone would really appreciate that."

Maye surprised the running world at the U.S. indoor championships in 1997, when he leaned just enough at the tape to finish fourth in the 400-meter dash. That gave him a spot on the U.S. team at the world championships in Paris, where he struck gold as a member of the 4 x 400-meter relay team.

Now, the quietly confident Maye, who landed a job with Springville after earning a master's degree in urban planning, has his sights set on next year's Olympic trials in Sacramento, Calif. He plans to compete in the 800-meter run with the goal of making the U.S. Olympic squad bound for Sydney.

Although he has been decorated as an athlete, Maye considers his job as a city planner and his role as a father of primary importance. He is just as happy discussing a new ordinance he crafted for planned unit development overlay zones as he is talking about his strategy for the 800.

"I have a full-time job, and this is what I want to do," said Maye, who has worked at Springville since mid-1998. "You could call running my second job."

For a hobbyist, Maye is not a bad runner. He was a top-flight track athlete in Atlanta while in high school, and he continued to win accolades at BYU. But the pinnacle of his running career so far came when he teamed with three of the United States' best 400-meter runners to win the world indoor championship relay.

Recognition of meningitis symptoms could save college students' lives

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Severe brain damage and even death can result from something that seems as harmless as a sore throat if symptoms are not recognized and left to multiply.

Across the country, meningitis is cropping up in more college campuses than ever before, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Students can significantly reduce their chances of contracting meningitis by learning to recognize the symptoms and taking precautions, the center advises.

High fevers, headaches and stiff necks are common symptoms of meningitis. The symptoms can develop over several hours or as long as two days. Other symptoms may include nausea, vomiting, discomfort looking into bright lights, confusion and sleepiness. As the disease progresses, students of any age may have seizures, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Because of the severity of meningitis, it is essential that the disease is properly diagnosed and every case looked into, said Gerrie Dowdle, manager of Communicable Disease Control Prevention of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Meningitis is an infection of the fluid in a person's spinal cord and the fluid that surrounds the brain. It can cause fevers, comas and, in some cases, permanent disabilities with learning problems and hearing loss. Meningitis is fatal in 10 percent of cases, according to USA Today.

There are three things students can do to prevent meningitis: avoid sharing food or drinks with other people, constantly wash hands and get rid of tissues, according to Dr. Gus Hoffman, head of the BYU Health Center Immunization Clinic.

Meningococcal meningitis occurs three to six times more frequently in students living in dormitories. Of those who have meningococcal meningitis, 20 percent will have serious complications and 15 percent will die. Complications from meningitis include learning disorders, brain damage, hearing loss and seizures, according to a BYU Health Center release.

"Meningitis is as very scary disease. A relatively healthy individual can acquire it and die in a matter of days," said Tom Skinner, spokesman for the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Many students at BYU live in dormitories or small apartments with several roommates. Because of this, the risk of infection transmission from one student to another is high, according to a news release from the BYU Health Center.

Additional risks may be posed by the international make-up of BYU's student body due to lack of awareness or lack of immunization programs among students.

Immunizations are the most effective and inexpensive method available to prevent these illnesses.

The BYU Health Center recommended all students be current in their shots. They also recommended that students living in dormitories consider receiving the meningococcal vaccine.

Students can get immunization shots at the BYU Health Center for $71.25.

To contact the BYU Health Center for appointments, call 378-5156.

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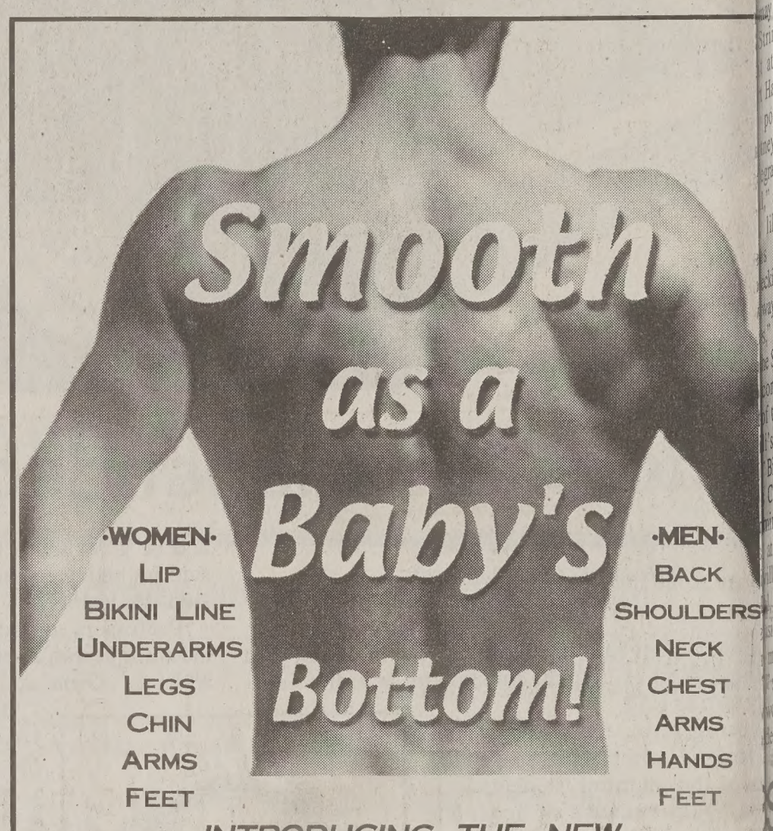

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ree concerts offered this week

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our concerts in three days, ol of Music comes alive this th music ranging from the era to the present. No matter ste — the sweet sound of the clarion call of brass nts or Latin rhythms on the guitar — something in the ay tickle your fancy.

tring Orchestra performs at 7:30 in the de Jong Hall. The performance fea- pop songs like Paul ey's "Eleanor Rigby" and grass tune "Orange Blossom " as well as more solemn ilike "Threnody for the of Hiroshima," by cki.

way, our concert is a tribute to " said Walt Birkedahl, direc- String Orchestra.

ncert will also showcase the orchestra's soloists in 's "Concerto Grosso in D Birkedahl said.

Choir and Trombone Choir, ing in a combined concert t 7:30 in the Madsen Recital ll present an eclectic mix of , baroque, contemporary and ic.

neant to be a mixture of said Dan Bachelder, director o ensembles.

ed on the program are Irish folk tune, "Danny Boy," Richard Wagner's "Funeral March," J.S. Bach's "Sleepers Awake," Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" and Haydn's "Achieved Is the Glorious Work."

The Guitar Ensemble, featuring student guitarists performing on nylon-stringed classical guitars, will perform light classical, South American and Spanish music. The group performs Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the Madsen Recital Hall.

Its program includes Pachelbel's well-beloved "Canon and Gigue," popular Brazilian dances by Celso Machado, "Mother Goose Suite" by Maurice Ravel and "Introduction and Fandango" by Luigi Boccherini.

Songwriters Showcase on Thursday evening at 7:30 in the Madsen Recital Hall displays the talents of student songwriters in BYU's songwriting class. The concert will include songs in a variety of popular styles.

"It's fun and exciting to listen to students' new songs and catch their enthusiasm," said Ron Simpson, professional songwriter and publisher, as well as director of the songwriting class.

Admission to all four concerts is free.

Dan Bachelder, left, gives trombone lessons to a student. Bachelder directs the Brass Choir and the Trombone Choir in a concert tonight at the Madsen Recital Hall in the HFAC. The concert is one of four free music concerts offered this week.

Paige Bremner/ Daily Universe

Jackson wants 10 children

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Michael Jackson wants to be a daddy over and over again.

The pop star said in the latest TV Guide that he wants 10 children, just like his father, Joe Jackson.

"I thought I was prepared because I read everything about child rearing, but it's so much more exciting than I ever imagined it would be," Jackson said. "The only regret I have is that I wish I had done it earlier."

Jackson, 41, denied rumors that he and ex-wife Debbie Rowe are not the biological parents of Prince Michael, 2, and Paris Katherine, 1.

"That's total garbage," he said.

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ssay contest features Bach

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ear 2000 marks the 250th sary of the death of Johann n Bach. It also marks KBYU- dio's 40th anniversary. To cel- KBYU-FM Classical 89 is the question: Why Bach in

er with the BYU Division of ing Education, KBYU-FM is ing an essay contest open to students.

eme for the contest is their : Why Bach in 2000?

ied to think of a general ques- t would cover a lot of things different kinds of people nter. It's anything you want, uch. This isn't just for people music efficianados. It's for e," said Wendy Waits, secre- the general manager of FM.

also said that KBYU-FM he contest will promote a ed awareness of its presence us and in the community, and dents from all areas of study r.

s must be 1000 words, typed ble-spaced, and submitted by 2000.

of faculty members from departments will award prizes of $300, $200, and $100 at a "Bach Gala" on February 17.

The Bach Gala will take place at the BYU Museum of Art and will feature Bach music as well as a reading of the winning essays, according to Christine Nokleby of KBYU-FM promotions.

Doug Bush, a professor in the BYU school of music and Bach scholar, said it would be impossible to measure Bach's cultural and spiritual impact on the West.

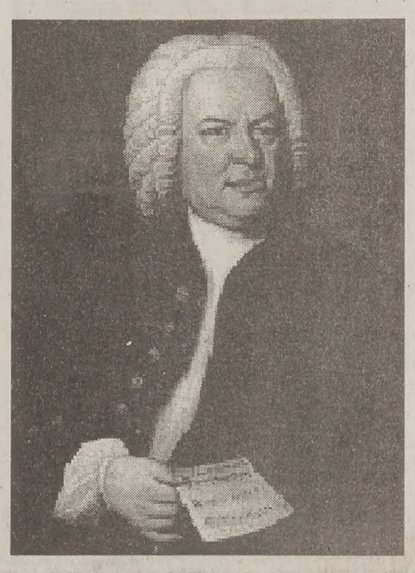
"It's been said that Bach is the foundation for all modern Western music. Beethoven said that Bach's name meant 'small stream,' but that instead of Bach it should have been 'ocean' because of the significance of his contribution to the world of music," Bush said.

Bush also said that when Louis Thomas, a biologist, was asked what we ought to send up to space in a time capsule, he responded that he would send the complete works of Johann Sebastian Bach.

He then paused and said, "But that would be boasting."

Bach himself said that the final aim of all music is the glorification of God and the refreshment of the human spirit, Bush said.

For more information on the Bach Essay Contest, contact Wendy Waits at 378-8499 or visit www.kbyu.org/fm.



J.S. BACH

y Story' sets record anksgiving weekend

Associated Press

NGELES — There's a new Movietown.

tory 2," offering the further d adventures of cowboy nd his friends, opened with a 80.1 million to top the five- nksgiving holiday box office, g to industry figures Monday.

Disney-Pixar sequel's set for the Thanksgiving holiday, vember opening and for any l film debut ever, according to r Relations Co. Inc., which x office figures.

e than doubled the 1995 open- kend toychest of the original ry."

quel topped "Pokemon: The ovie," which set a five-day record for an animated film million just two weeks ago. It d the previous five-day iving opening record of $45.7 set last year by "A Bug's so made by Disney and Pixar.

mes Bond juggernaut contin- cond week, with "The World nough" sliding to No. 2 with on for five days. The debut of Schwarzenegger's "End of as third with $31.5 million.

lti-generational pull of "Toy was obvious from comments egoers lined up to see the Universal City on Monday.

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op 10 movies at North n theaters Wednesday through

Story 2," Disney, $80.1 mil- 5.5 million, two weeks.

e World Is Not Enough," 34 million, $75.5 million, ks.

3. "End of Days," Universal, $31.5 million, $31.5 million, one week.

4. "Sleepy Hollow," Paramount, $26.9 million, $61.6 million, two weeks.

5. "Pokemon: The First Movie," Warner Bros., $9.1 million, $77.7 million, three weeks.

6. "The Bone Collector," Universal, $7.5 million, $53.7 million, four weeks.

7. "Dogma," Lions Gate, $5 million, $21 million, three weeks.

8. "Anywhere But Here," Fox, $3.9 million, $14.6 million, three weeks.

9. "The Insider," Disney, $3.3 million, $22.1 million, four weeks.

10. "Being John Malkovich," USA, $2.7 million, $11.9 million, five weeks.

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Cougs pleased with NCAA Tournament seed

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After a disappointing loss to olorado State in the Mountain West onference tournament, the BYU omen's volleyball team is ready to art NCAA tournament play.

BYU received the No. 3 seed in the ast Region and will host the first two ounds in the Smith Fieldhouse.

The Cougars will face Princeton, the inner of the Ivy League Conference, riday at 7 p.m. Arizona State will lay Wisconsin the same day and then e winners of both of those matches ill play Saturday at 7 p.m. Head oach Elaine Michaelis is pleased with e bid.

"I think it's a good draw for us -- e're in a good situation," she said. he team's ready to go to work and rget about last Saturday."

Team captain Caroline Bower is also xcited about the Cougars' placement.

"I'm stoked about it," she said. "We el good about it and so do the coaches. I just don't think it could have worked out any better."

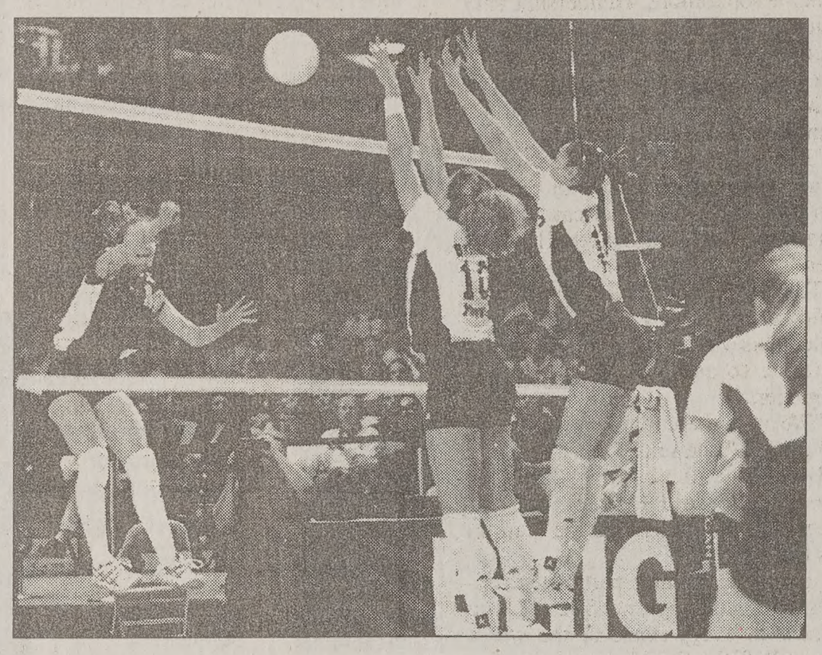
This is the 10th consecutive NCAA appearance for BYU and the 18th time the team has been selected in the 19 years of the tournament's existence.

The Cougars are one of three teams picked from the MWC. Both CSU and Utah also received bids. The Rams are the No. 3 seed in the Mountain Region and Utah will face Colorado.

Last season the Cougars advanced to the Central Regional Finals before losing to Penn State, which finished the year No. 2. Penn State is currently ranked No. 1 and this is the first time BYU will not have to face the team early in the tournament. Middle blocker Melissa Layton said she is glad to avoid Penn State, but other teams could present a challenge.

"It's going to be hard -- really tough," she said. "We don't know much about Princeton, but Wisconsin is really good."

BYU made it to the regional finals in each of the past three seasons, and made it to the Final Four in 1993.



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Jackie Bundy, left, and Sunny Tonga go up for a block during a game Nov. 20. BYU is the No. 3 seed in the NCAA East Region.

Bowl picture clearing u

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah accepted an invitation Monday night to play Fresno State in the Las Vegas Bowl, while BYU was close to accepting a bid from the Motor City Bowl.

When Colorado State accepted an invitation earlier Monday to play in the Liberty Bowl, the pieces fell into place swiftly for the Mountain West's other co-champions, Utah and BYU.

The Rams (8-3) were the first Mountain West team chosen for the postseason. Colorado State will play Conference USA champion Southern Mississippi at Memphis, Tenn., on Dec. 31.

That left Utah (8-3) and BYU (8-3) scrambling for a spot in the Las Vegas Bowl on Dec. 18. Both schools eagerly wanted the trip down Interstate 15 but the Utes were tabbed to play Fresno State (8-4).

Like the Liberty Bowl, the Las Vegas Bowl pays each team $1. lion. The Motor City Bowl, i Detroit area, pays $750,000.

BYU, Colorado State and each finished 5-2 in the Mou West's inaugural season. Becau the first-place tie, Liberty Bow cials had their choice of which s to invite.

BYU athletic director Val Hal Monday night the school was cl an agreement with the Dec. 27 M City Bowl. He said BYU w accept an invitation when it is ex ed, probably today.

The Cougars will play No Marshall or Western Michigan. T teams meet Saturday, with the w winning the Mid-Amer Conference and advancing to Motor City Bowl.

"If you look at all the matchup could have had, this is the one coaches and players preferred most," Hale said.

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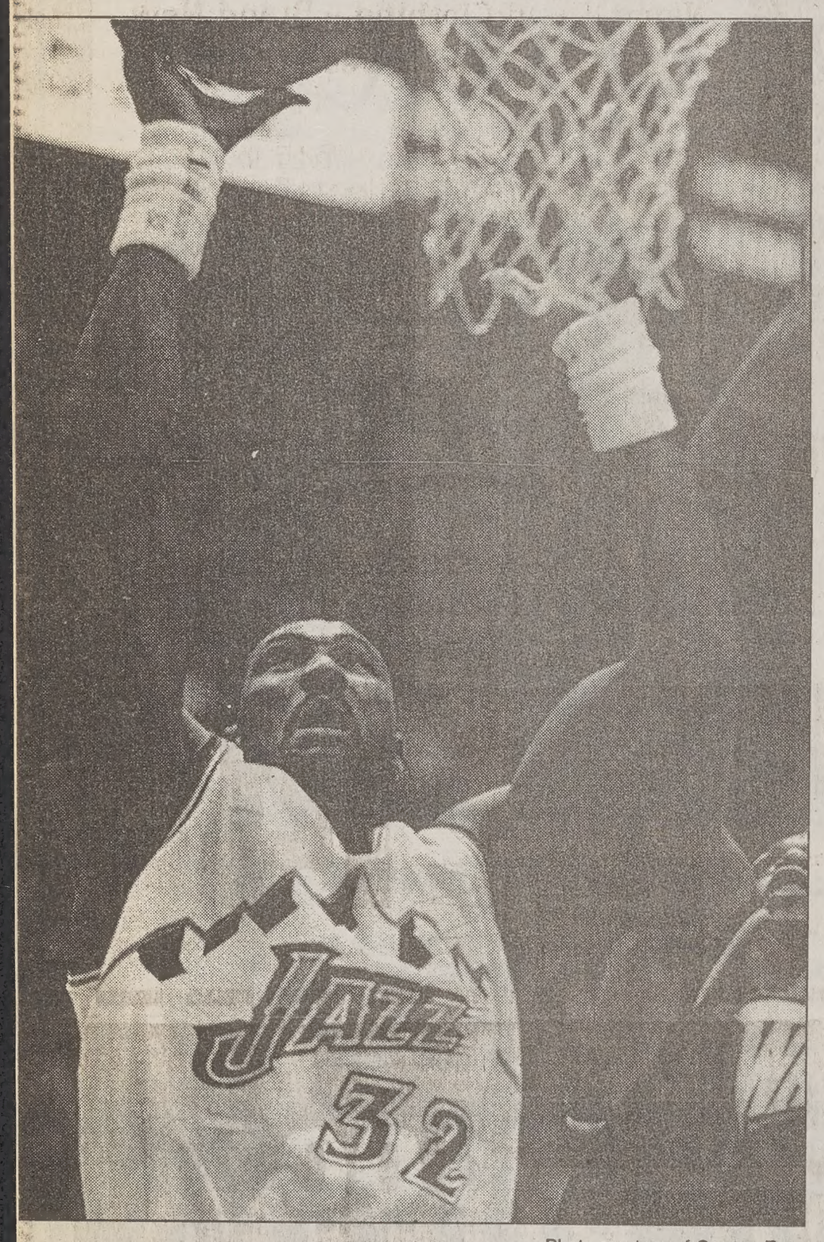

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Karl Malone goes up for a layup during Utah's 115-99 win over the Golden State Warriors on Monday night at the Delta Center.

Mailman spears Warriors

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Any suspense that may have been lurking in the Delta Center was gone just three minutes into the game Monday night.

That's when Utah's Karl Malone took a John Hornacek pass and did what he's done more than all but two players in NBA history — he scored. With the bucket, Malone passed Michael Jordan and moved into third place on the all-time scoring list with 29,277 points. Malone finished the game with 27 points to lead the Jazz over the lowly Golden State Warriors 115-99.

"A lot of people told me I couldn't play in this league," Malone said following the game. "But I'm living proof that if you work hard and believe in yourself, you can do it."

The bucket came with 9:24 left in the first quarter and sparked a 12-0 Jazz run that put the Jazz ahead for good. Utah led the entire game and at one point built the lead to as many as 30 points over the outmanned Warriors.

"We executed a little bit better," head coach Jerry Sloan said. "I thought we moved the basketball earlier when everybody got involved offensively. We set screens and got a couple of easy baskets because I thought we passed the ball a little more."

The Jazz desperately needed the win Monday night, having lost the last two games to the Toronto Raptors and Los Angeles Lakers. Facing the 2-10 Warriors at home was a perfect way for the Jazz to get out of early-season mediocrity.

Utah got big minutes out of several reserves, especially rookie Scott Padgett, who hustled his way to 16 points, including a 3-of-4 night behind the arc. The first-year man out of Kentucky said he is finally starting to feel comfortable in the Jazz scheme.

"I've been working hard and tried to be more assertive," Padgett said. "I know I can shoot, so I've just got to keep shooting — they'll fall. Tonight we knew they were going to get tired so we just took advantage."

And it didn't take the Jazz long. In the first quarter the Jazz shot 75 percent from the field behind 12 points from Malone to take a 41-19 lead. It didn't get any better for the Warriors, who are stuck securely in the Pacific Division cellar.

"You spot them a 15, 20-point lead in the first quarter, it's going to be very difficult for you," said the Warriors' Antawn Jamison. "We're just not on the same page."

The only bright spot for the Warriors was second-year man Damon Jones, who scored 17 points and had five assists. Jamison threw in 15 points and six rebounds, but it wasn't enough.

Not only did the Mailman drop 27 points on 12-14 shooting, but he made sure to throw in 10 assists and eight rebounds for good measure.

"I want to be known as a well-rounded player," Malone said. "I'm not done yet."

t's a hard-knock life for rookies

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illions of fans have watched the h Jazz play a game of basketball wo. Hundreds of thousands have ched a game in the Delta Center. how many have noticed who is there shooting well before the e?

ho is it, out practicing right up l it's time for the official pregame m-up to start? It's the same group eople every year.

s the rookies.

s all part of being the rookie. The kid on the block. It's being the one to arrive in a place where ybody knows the system and the s.

me teams require ridiculous acts of rookies to prove their worthi- to the team, including buying the le team breakfast at away games, nding something in a city new to ookie.

e Utah Jazz, on the other hand, the traditions associated with kies right in line with their aky clean image.

ring a time when most NBA pro- ionals are questioned for their ality and dedication to the game, Utah Jazz keep on doing things rently.

tt Padgett, a Utah rookie, said eam doesn't require anything out e ordinary from the rookies.

ey're not too bad about that kind uff," Padgett said. "We get the out for practice and we pick up after its over. We have to up the dirty towels and stuff out e road, but it's nothing serious."

que Vaughn, who spent his rook- ar with the Jazz, said the minor ations are part of keeping egos eck.

ith a veteran team, you definitely to pay your dues. Whether that passing out the practice bags or ng with the luggage on the " Vaughn said. "It's all part of a rookie. You do some of those s that you probably didn't do you were the man or a senior in ge," Vaughn said.

Jazz traditions aren't as bother- some or nit-picky as other teams around the league.

"It's nothing as bad as some of my college teammates have at other places," Padgett said. "I've had guys, they want certain things from certain stores at maybe only one place in the city and you've got to get it. Or I want coffee and donuts every morning."

"We get a little razzin' as far as jokes, but nothing outside of that," Padgett said.

Greg Ostertag, another of Utah's former rookies, related a story from Howard Eisley's rookie year in Minnesota.

"At the end of a shoot-around, all the guys took the basketballs they had and punted them into the stands and then Howard had to go up and find them all," Ostertag said.

Ostertag also remembers the only thing he had to go through was carrying a bag for Karl Malone.

"The only real thing that anybody did to me was that Karl had a big brown bag that he put rocks in and he made you carry it during the preseason," Ostertag said.

Quincy Lewis, Utah's first pick in the 1999 draft, looks forward to having the opportunity to reverse the roles in a year.

"When you're not the rookie it'll be your turn to do to the new guy what the veterans did to you," Lewis said.

Vaughn said in the end it's just a rite of passage that all new members of a team must endure.

"It's part of being a freshman or a rookie. Most guys came in from some program where they were the man and they have to check the ego. It's all in fun," Vaughn said.

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Sweet payoff...

...d to soccer success a tough one for senior Hendershot

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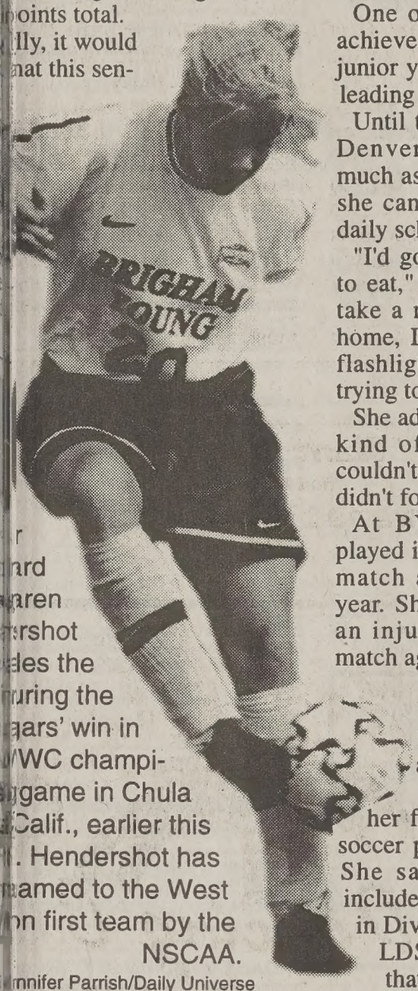

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American's life is consumed with soccer.

At the age of 13 she began traveling from her home in Colorado Springs, Colo. to Denver, an hour commute each way, so she could play on a club team. She said she did join her high school team, but it wasn't as good as the club team.

"In Utah it seems like high school soccer is first, and club team is second," she said. "In Colorado, it's the opposite."

One of her greatest high school achievements happened during her junior year when she was the state's leading scorer.

Until the age of 18, she made her Denver commute sometimes as much as five times a week. She said she can remember how hectic her daily schedule was at that time.

"I'd go home and grab something to eat," she said. "Then I'd usually take a nap in the car. On the way home, I'd do my homework with a flashlight in my mouth, and I was trying to eat dinner, too."

She admits her average day sounds kind of crazy. But she said she couldn't be where she is today if she didn't follow that pattern.

At BYU she has started and played in every game except for the match against New Mexico this year. She had to sit out because of an injury to her right quad in a match against Harvard.

"That was very hard for me. It only took a month to heal," she said with a smile and a hint of sarcasm.

When she came to BYU her freshman year, the women's soccer program was two years old. She said benefits of that year included the excitement of playing in Division I soccer with an entire LDS team, starting and the fact that the Cougars only lost one game that season.

As a sophomore, Hendershot said she struggled along with the team. Personally she said she was moved around in lots of different positions which didn't help her game. But, her junior year made up for that.

"I came into my own," she said. "It was exciting to see that for myself. To even reach All-American, I never thought that would actually happen."

The glory didn't stop there. She said her senior year has been incredible. This year has given the team a chance to see what they can do together.

"We won the conference. We won 21 games," she said.

BYU head coach Jennifer Rockwood said Hendershot has been a great strength to the team in its history.

"She's been a huge part of the success of our program. She's a true leader in every sense of the word, on and off the field," she said.

Rockwood also said that when you watch Hendershot on the field, you can see how much she loves the game.

Part of that love for the game probably comes from the team word this season--synergy. Hendershot said synergy has been a huge factor in the team's success.

"It's amazing how trials bring people together," she said. "It's awesome to see how our team has overcome them."

Perhaps the most important message Hendershot would like to convey is that soccer is not the only thing in her life.

"It's a part of it. I have passion and love for it," she said. "But, it doesn't consume my life."

Sometimes people think that to be a great athlete you must make your sport your life, she said. But, she said, it's really all about balance.

Rose might sue baseball

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Pete Rose is launching an Internet petition and may sue baseball to end his lifetime ban.

"You can't keep a guy from making a living," he said Monday in an interview with The Associated Press. "It's not the American way."

Following an investigation of his gambling, baseball's career hits leader agreed in August 1989 to a lifetime ban from the sport. He applied for reinstatement in September 1997, and while commissioner Bud Selig has said several times that he has seen no evidence that would make him change the ban, he hasn't formally responded to Rose.

"If you find in your heart you didn't want to give me reinstatement, just write back and say, 'No,'" Rose said. "I know he has stationery. I know the mail is delivered in Milwaukee."

Rose claimed baseball's lawyers "blackmailed" witnesses against him during its investigation 10 years ago. When pressed for details, he referred comment to his lawyer, Roger Makley, who declined comment when contacted at his Ohio office. Those who led the investigation at the time, Fay Vincent and John Dowd, denied Rose's accusation.

Rose was in New York for today's launch of sportcut.com., which through Jan. 15 will contain a fan petition calling for Rose's admission to the Hall of Fame. As long as he's banned from baseball for life, Rose is ineligible for the Hall.

ESPN/USA Today Top 25

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2. Virginia Tech (11-0)
3. Nebraska (10-1)
4. Wisconsin (9-2)
5. Florida (9-2)
6. Tennessee (9-2)
7. Kansas State (10-1)
8. Alabama (9-2)
9. Michigan (9-2)
10. Michigan State (9-2)
11. Marshall (11-0)
12. Texas (9-3)
13. Minnesota (8-3)
14. Texas A&M (9-3)
15. Southern Mississippi (8-3)
16. Georgia Tech (8-3)
17. Penn State (9-3)
18. Mississippi State (9-2)
19. East Carolina (9-2)
20. Purdue (7-4)
21. Stanford (8-3)
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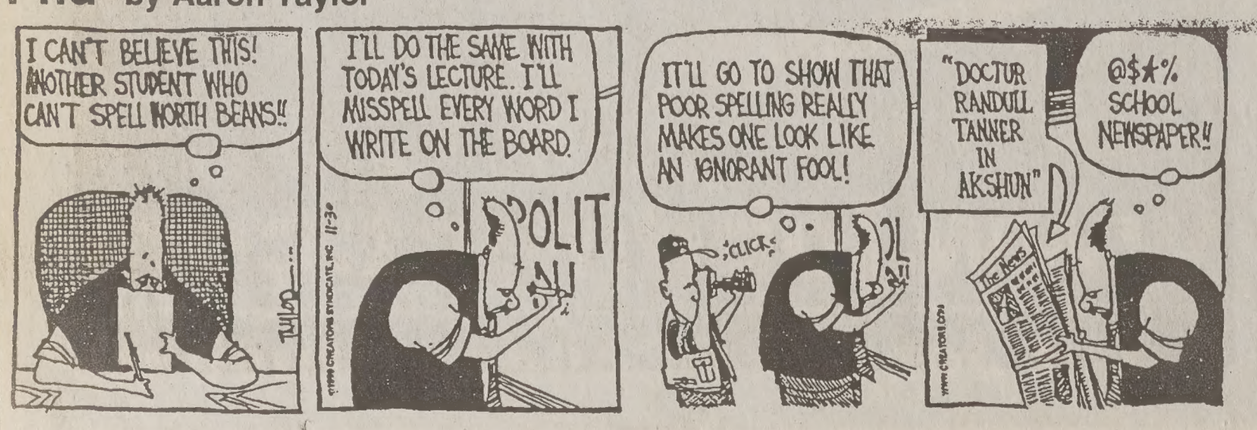
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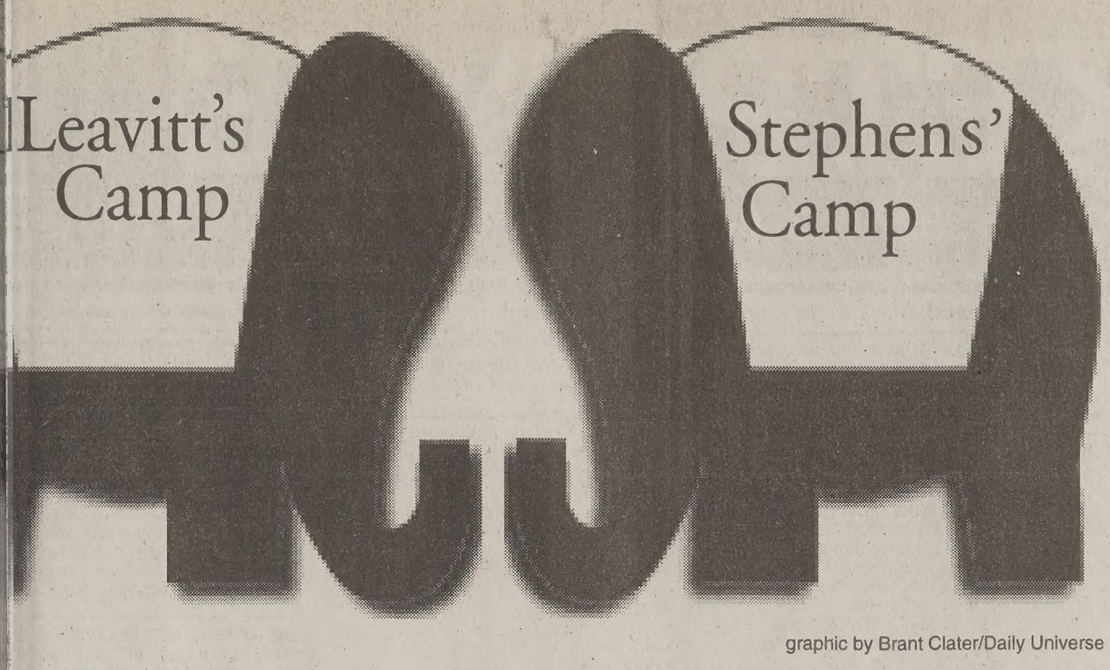

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Leavitt said he also plans to focus on improving Utah's schools during the state's 45-day lawmaking session.

"I will have one priority and it is to increase our investment in education and to provide a system that requires more accountability of all of us," Leavitt said.

But gun restrictions are the issues that Leavitt and some Republicans disagree on. Leavitt said he will support some limitations on where concealed weapons can be taken. The governor has also tried to compromise with environmentalists in the battle over Utah wilderness. But some Republicans, Stephens included, say the governor may have gone too far.

"There is some dissatisfaction within the party over concerns that there is more style than substance in the governor's handling of a lot of critical issues in the state," Stephens said.

The contentious relationship between Leavitt and some key Utah lawmakers may clog the legislative channel. But Leavitt said he would do his part to push through bills that are important to Utahns.

"I'm very concerned about our economy in the years 2003 and 2004," Leavitt said. "I'm also interested in making sure that the Olympic games are executed in a way we can be proud of," Leavitt said.

Although Stephens does not agree with the governor's stance on every issue, he vowed to work with Leavitt to push through key legislation. However, it is still difficult to predict if lawmakers who support Leavitt and those who support Stephens will agree on what legislation is the most important.

"It's possible egos will become more important than issues in the first session of the new millennium," Holbrooke said.

Utah students reading for rewards

By SHERALYN BOLE
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Preliminary progress reports show Utah County students are meeting the challenge given by the Utah State Office of Education to read one million books by May 2000.

By the end of the first month of school, students in the three county school districts — Alpine, Nebo and Provo — read a total of 114,206 books.

The purpose of the Million Book Challenge is to encourage reading throughout Utah Valley among students and families, said Marilyn Kofford, Alpine School Board president.

"Reading is a skill or gift that will impact children's lives forever," she said.

Students can record their progress on their districts' Web sites. Each month, the number of books read per student, along with the total number of books read in each school and school district, are tallied.

In order to meet the million-book goal, each student will need to read an average of 23 books by May, said Alpine School District public information officer Michael Robinson.

By Oct. 10, Alpine students read 65,093 books; Nebo students, 29,682; Provo students, 19,431. Utah County students are well on their way to the one-million book goal, Robinson said. Students at Shelley Elementary in American Fork read the most books with an average of 15.5 per student.

Throughout the year, district officials will recognize the top 10 leading schools each month. At the end of the year, the top schools will be awarded cash prizes to go toward their libraries.

In addition, each school in the program will set up a unique system of incentives and awards to motivate the students, Robinson said.

The Million Book Challenge is not the only program USOE members are using this year to encourage reading.

Last month, the U.S. Department of Education awarded the USOE a Reading Excellence Act grant, which will total $7 million over the next two years. The grant is designed to help children read on grade level by the end of the third grade, said USOE member Jan Dole.

Some of the grant money will be used for Utah Reads, a program that includes the development of parent-child literacy workshops, newborn literacy kits, kindergarten through third-grade staff development, a principals' leadership conference and the administration of two statewide tutoring programs, Dole said.

One of the tutoring programs, "Read To Me," is a project endorsed by Utah Gov. Michael Leavitt and his wife that encourages parents to read to their children on a daily basis.

"Learning begins at home, and parents are a child's first teachers," said first lady Jacalyn Leavitt.

The Utah Reads program includes a hotline for people to call to learn more about reading and literacy services in the state. For more information, call 1-877-ALL-READ.

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KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad's coalition won a majority of seats in Parliament, assuring him a fifth consecutive term in this Southeast Asian nation. The wife of his main, imprisoned rival also won a seat in the assembly Monday.

Mahathir had insisted throughout the two-week campaign that his coalition, which has ruled Malaysia since independence from Britain in 1957, would retain at least a two-thirds majority in Parliament.

Of the 144 seats announced so far, Mahathir's National Front had won 109 of the 193 Parliament seats, the Election Commission said. Thirty-two seats went to the opposition coalition and a small regional party allied to the opposition won three.

Jailed politician Anwar Ibrahim's wife, Azizah Ismail, won the biggest race for the opposition. She defeated a former minister in Mahathir's Cabinet by winning almost 62 percent of the votes in Permatang Pauh. Her husband carried the rural northern district for 16 years before he was sacked and convicted of corruption.

"This is a victory of the people. It shows that people dared to choose change," Azizah told a crowd of several hundred supporters outside the polling station. Dozens of riot police were on hand in case of civil unrest.

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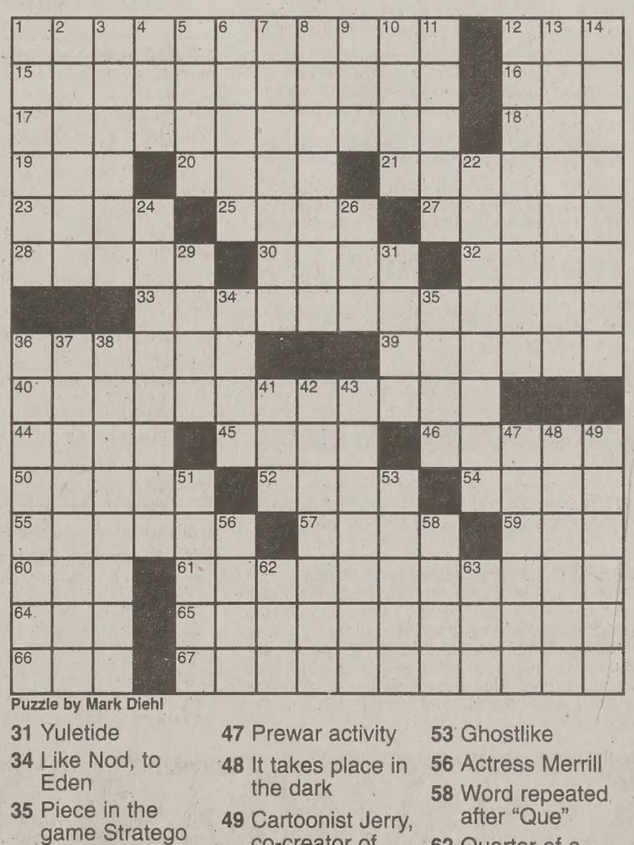

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45 What this isn't
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50 They come in sheets
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54 "... ___ saw Elba"
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57 Mountain path site
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12 Ammo in game hunting
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14 Energetic
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24 Shows displeasure with
26 A clown may wear it
29 Make out
31 Yuletide
34 Like Nod, to Eden
35 Piece in the game Stratego
36 Cause of colonial unrest
37 Syncopated musical rhythms
38 Enrichment course
41 "But of course!"
42 One way to get to work
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Castro will not attend world trade talks

Associated Press

HAVANA — President Fidel Castro announced Monday that he would not attend the World Trade Organization meeting in Seattle because he believed U.S. officials would bar him from entering the country.

"I was certain that the State Department would not grant me the visa," Castro wrote in a letter to Rep. Jim McDermott of Washington. The government distributed a copy of the letter to foreign news agencies in Cuba on Monday afternoon.

"For that reason, I didn't even bother to apply," the communist leader continued. "I did not want to be submitted to that humiliation."

The six-page letter made it clear that Castro was interested in attending the meeting and, at one point, had been hopeful of going.

"I prepared feverishly," Castro wrote. "I wanted to do it and I had practically decided to make the trip, despite insurmountable difficulties."

Senior U.S. officials had said earlier that a visa would be granted Castro if he applied, because the United States, as host country for the 135-nation WTO meeting, was obligated to allow officials from member countries to attend.

But Castro said in the letter that some American officials had been quoted in newspaper articles as saying that the gathering was for cabinet-level officials, and that his being there would not be "appropriate."

He also said officials from the State Department's Cuba desk had warned Dagoberto Rodriguez, director of North America for Cuba's Foreign Ministry, of the possible consequences of the trip.

"The plot against my trip to Seattle, with the support of the State Department, was unquestionable," he said.

"That confirmed my perception about the opposition to, and even the political and moral terror of, my participation in the WTO meeting in Seattle," he said.

Castro's letter thanked McDermott, a Democrat, and the people of Seattle for their kindness and hospitality.

Cuban boy given to relatives as accusations fly

Associated Press

CARDENAS, Cuba — The 5-year-old Cuban boy who survived a boat capsize en route to the United States was handed over to his relatives in Miami on Monday, and his father in Cuba accused them of trying to make money off his son.

The boy, Elian Gonzalez, was quickly becoming the focus of an international tug-of-war. While his father and the Cuban government have demanded his return, U.S. authorities temporarily turned him over to relatives who were fighting to keep him in the United States.

Juan Miguel Gonzalez, the father, said he initially was thankful that his aunt and cousin in South Florida were taking care of Elian, but had come to believe that they were "enriching themselves" with the highly politicized case.

"(Elian) has been kidnapped," he told Associated Press Television News in an interview Monday at his coastal home east of Havana. "If I have to go and look for him, I will."

"Here, he has his health care and education free," said Gonzalez, 31, a park employee. "He does not lack anything."

About 50 of Gonzalez's neighbors and co-workers had rallied at his home earlier in the day to support his efforts to bring Elian back to Cuba.

Later, inside the living room dominated by a poster of revolutionary icon Ernesto "Che" Guevara, the child's grandmother, Mariela Quintana, 51, pleaded tearfully for the boy's return. Gonzalez's second wife, Nelsi, 22, quietly nursed her baby, Elian's 2-month-old half-brother, Hianne.

Elian was found adrift Thursday off the coast of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. after a small powerboat carrying 13 Cuban refugees capsized. Two adult survivors were rescued off Key Biscayne, Fla.

Seven bodies were found before the U.S. Coast Guard called off the search. Three other people are presumed dead.

Cuba blames the United States for the tragedy and says the child had been kidnapped by his mother, who died during the voyage.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Alejandro Gonzalez on Monday reiterated the government's demands for the boy's return. Cuba's Prensa Latina news agency quoted the spokesman as saying that Cuba "has presented through the corresponding channels the necessary documentation to proceed with the reclamation of the minor."

However, U.S. immigration authorities paroled Elian into the custody of his relatives in Miami, said Doris Meissner, spokesman for the Immigration and Naturalization Services. The boy's relatives in Miami have hired a lawyer and are seeking legal guardianship.

U.S. officials have said all Cuban boat survivors will be allowed to stay.

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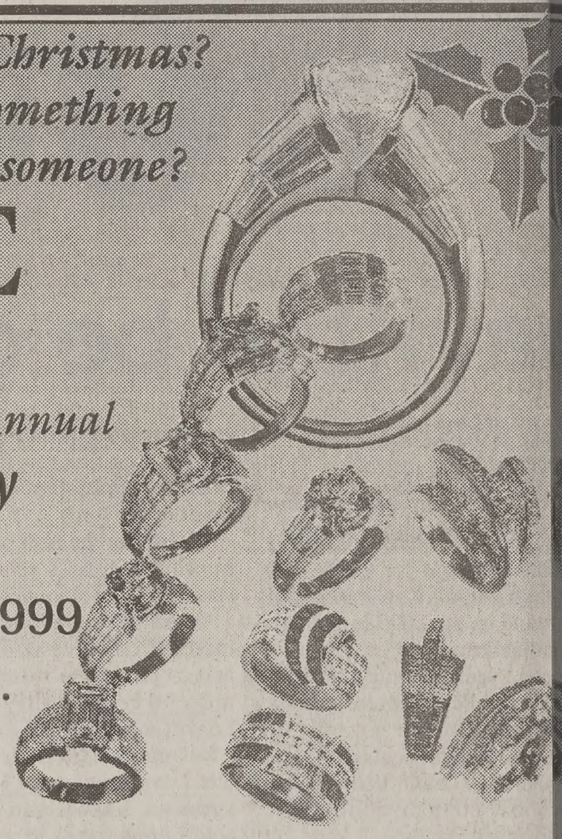

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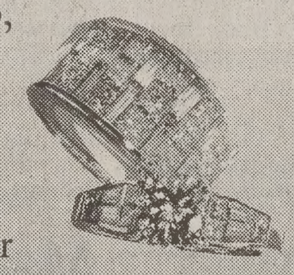

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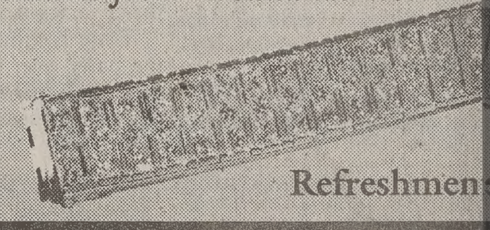

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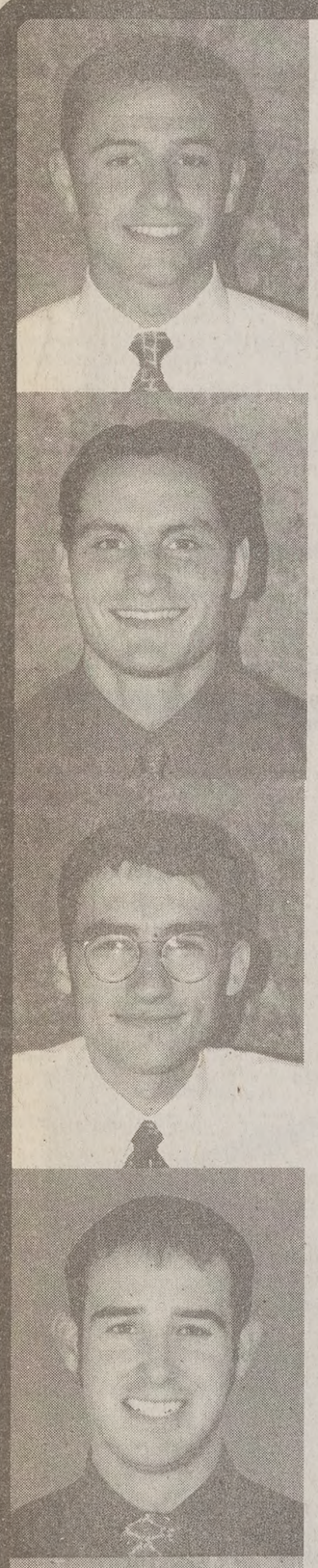

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MAJOR: Portuguese (BYU)
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STATUS: Excited for ski season

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MAJOR: Business (BYU)
EARNED: $67,136
STATUS: Married and financially secure

NAME: Jeff Tolley
MAJOR: Intl. Law & Diplomacy (BYU)
EARNED: $20,585
STATUS: Very glad he didn't wait tables

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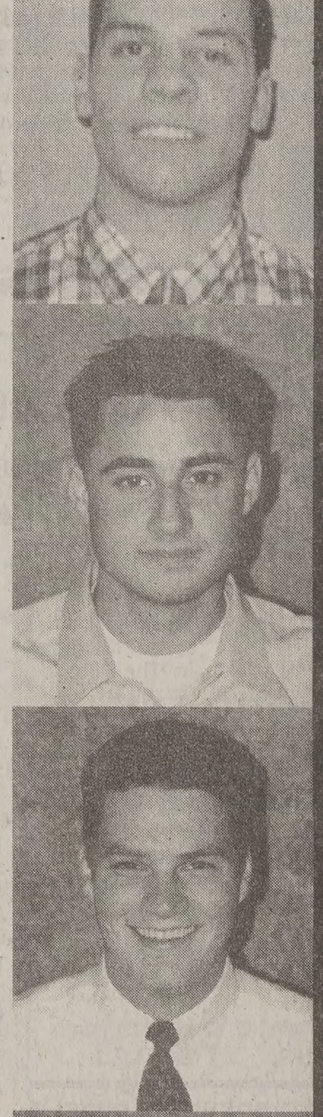

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